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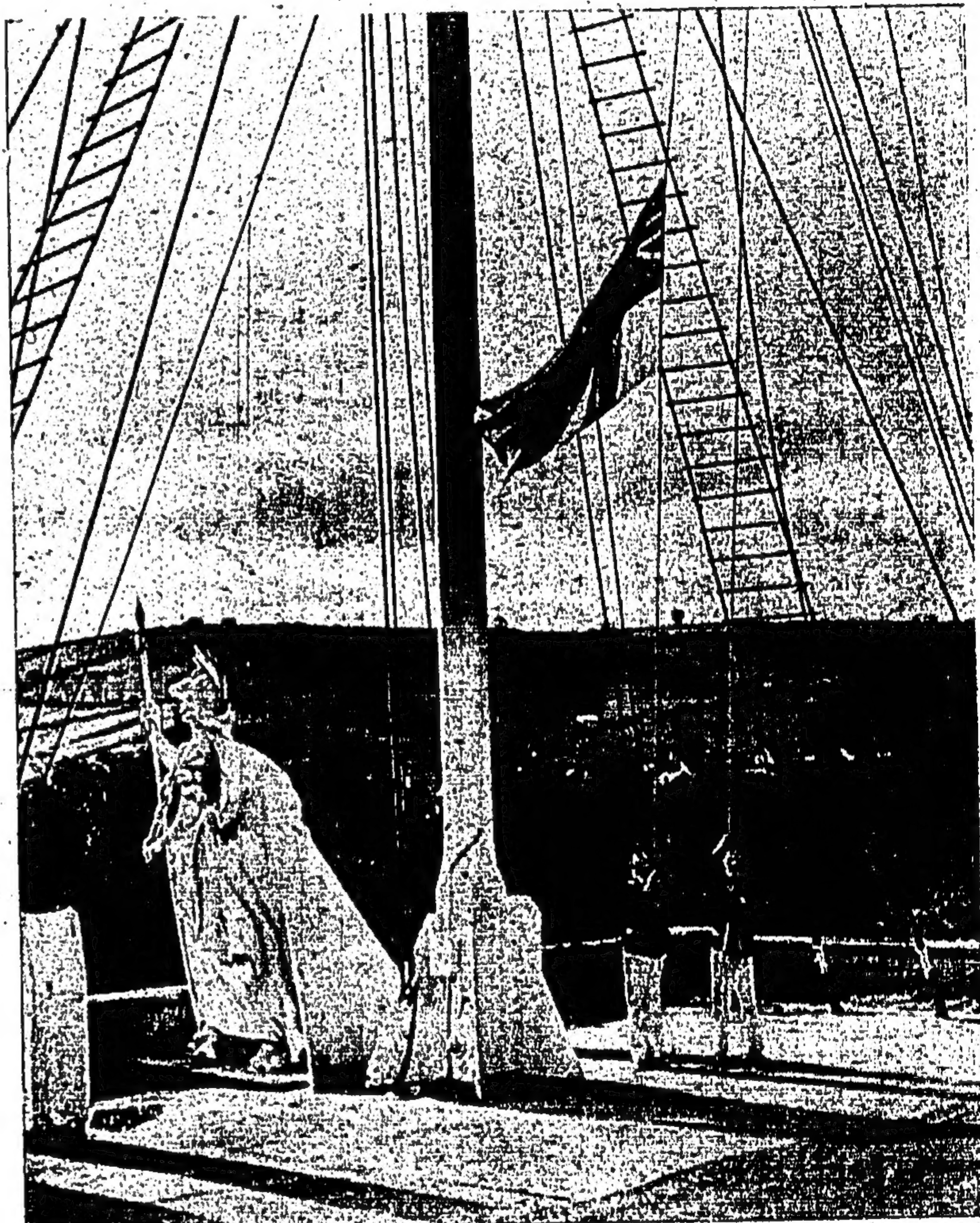
Studying the compass are two of Britain's naval officers of to-morrow.

### Naval Officers Of To-Morrow?

Since 1905, the Royal Naval Cadet College at Dartmouth has been producing officers for the Royal Navy, and the war has brought few changes to the College routine. At present Dartmouth is the only officer-producing institution in the country, as the Army training schools at Woolwich and Sandhurst, and the Air Force College at Cranwell have been closed down since the outbreak of war. Cadets are admitted to the Naval College between the ages of 13 and 14. They stay for three years and two terms; then they go on board a training ship for another two terms of practical training. Only when they have passed both the College and the training ship exams are they appointed Battleship Cadets and Midshipmen. (British Official Photographs).



The men whom England expects to do their duty: Cadets marching on the terrace at Dartmouth. The boys wear a regulation uniform of blue "monkey jackets" and cream-coloured trousers.



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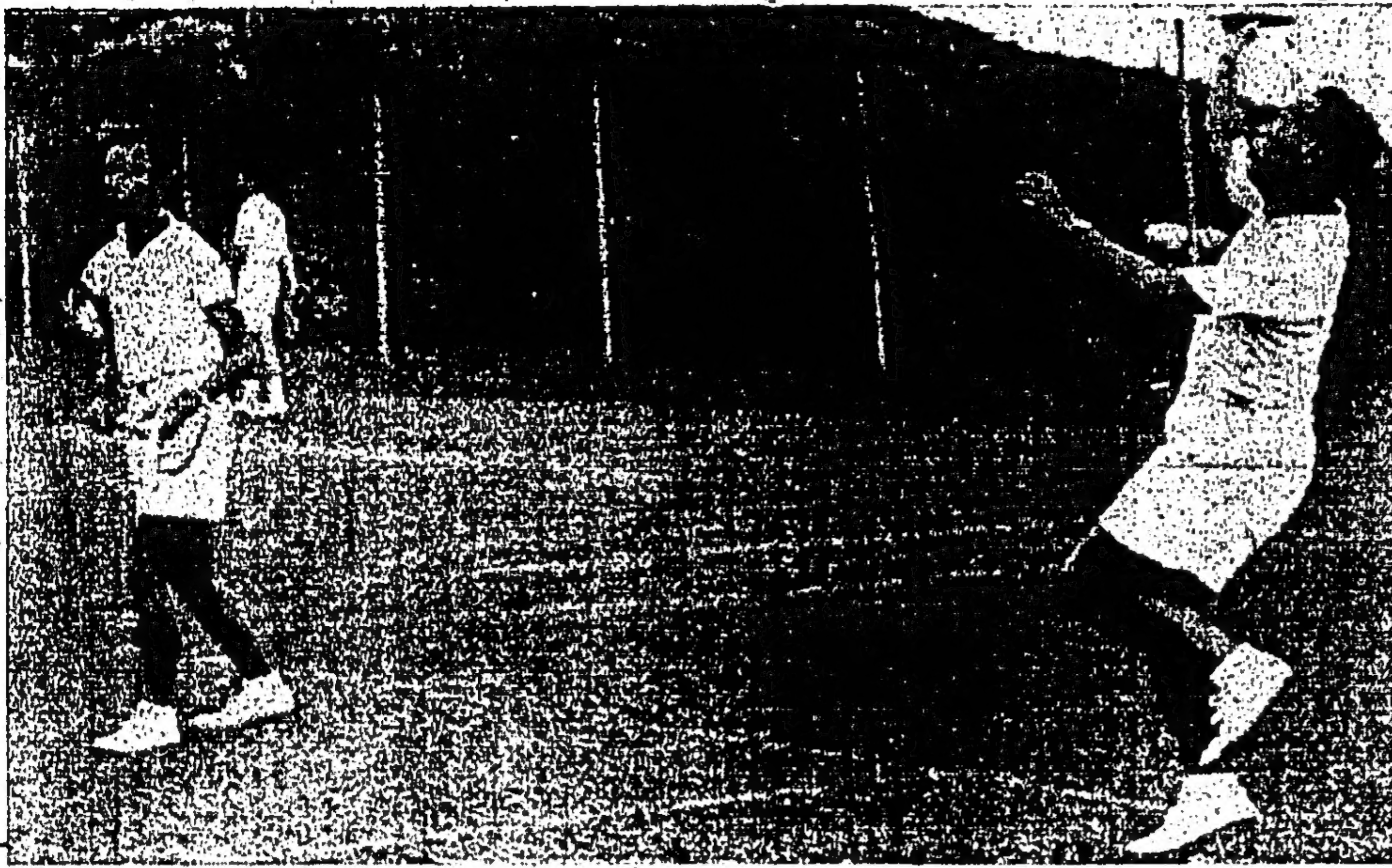
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## Tennis League Games

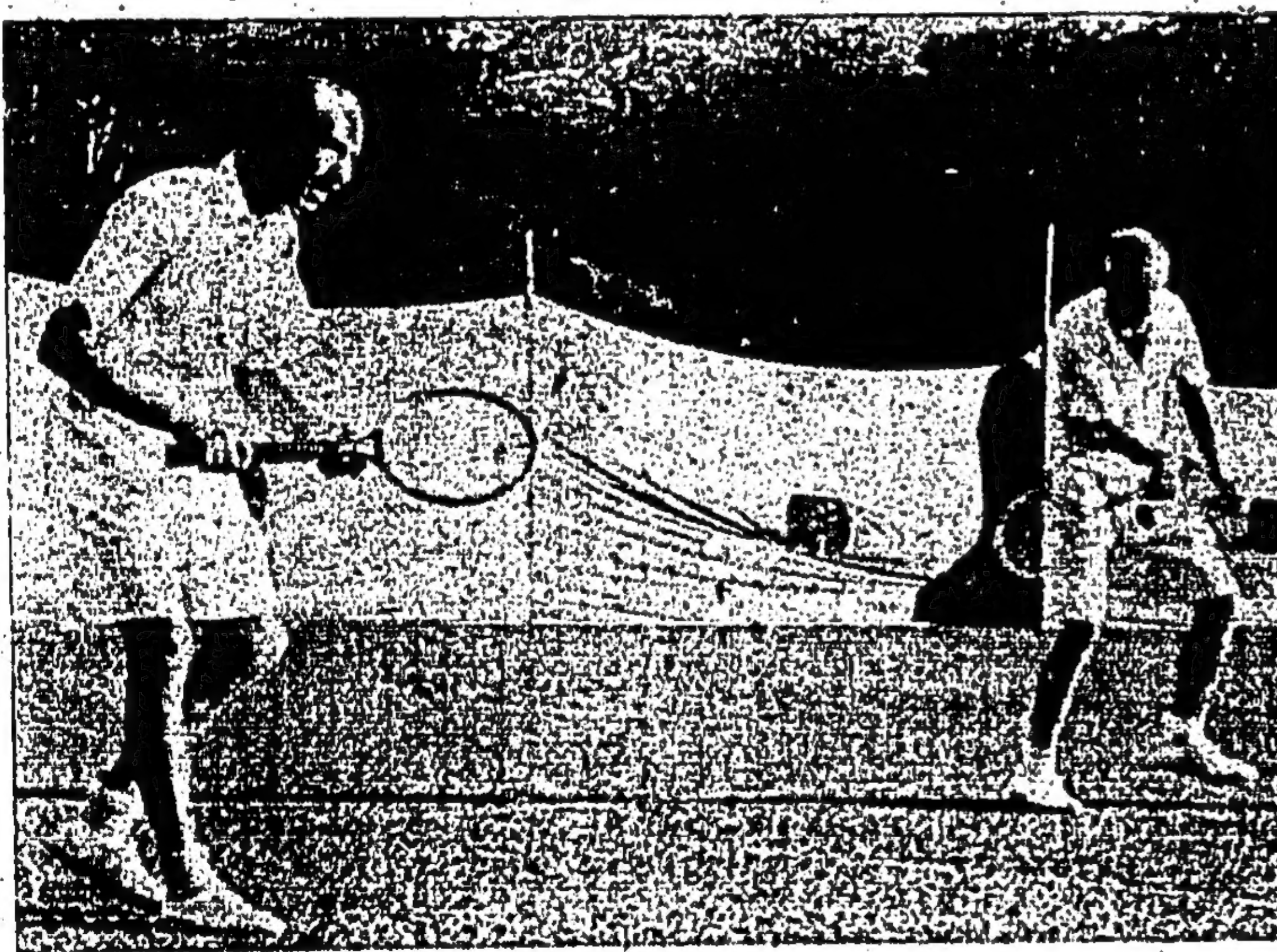
After a long hold up, owing to the weather, further progress was made in the "A" Division league tennis games last Monday, when Indian Recreation Club, last year's runners up, beat South China by 6 sets to 3. Three matches were played on Tuesday by "B" Division, most notable result being the victory of Chinese Recreation Club over Kowloon Tong. The former team had, prior to this game, been beaten only once — by Club de Recreo — whereas Kowloon Tong had not dropped a point, and on their form, were considered to have a strong chance for the championship. On this page will be found pictures of "A" and "B" Division players in action. (Tong).

The Colony tennis champions, S. A. and H. D. Rum-jahn in action for I.R.C. against South China in "A" Division of the Tennis League on Monday. I.R.C. won 6—3.

(Below)—Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fan, won two sets for South China against I.R.C. in "A" Division on Monday but the Indians won the match 6—3.



W. H. Ho playing for South China against Army in "B" Division on Tuesday. South China only lost one set.



Col. Newnham and Col. Smith in action for Army against South China in "B" Division on Tuesday.



Sgt. Webb and Capt. Loch, Army's second string pair in their "B" Division match against South China on Tuesday.



Iu Tak-cheuk and Wong Shiu-wing conceded half a point against Kowloon Tong in "B" Division on Tuesday, and assisted C.R.C. to beat the hitherto unbeaten suburban team by 8½—½.



Billy Yu and Henry Lin drew with Iu Tak-cheuk and Wong Shiu-wing of C.R.C., to register the only success for Kowloon Tong in their "B" Division league tennis match on Tuesday.



# CONTRACT BRIDGE

"DEAR Mr. Culbertson: My friends have repeatedly told me that you have been known to charge for your advice, and have asked me to give up the idea unless I was willing to pay for the information. I have repeatedly contended that a columnist of your renown would not gain anything by such an action. Since I am a school teacher, it is needless to say that, if such a bill were to be paid by me, I am very much afraid that I should have to abandon the idea of seeking information. I would like, however, to prove to my friends that this accusation is untrue.

By Ely Culbertson

"Last night two of my colleagues and I entertained a visiting professor at bridge, the result being that I now am writing my first letter to an authority on the subject of that game. "I am not an excellent student of bridge (as my friends frequently remind me), but I am one of those hard headed individuals who believes he is right until proved wrong.

"The hand that I am enclosing herein was played at contract, with as little adherence to the rules of the game as is possible for professors. The actual question in my mind is this: Did I (East) err in passing my partner's double on the second round of bidding? The hands are as follows: "South, dealer. "Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH  
S.—10 9 5 2  
H.—10  
D.—8 7 5  
C.—J 10 9 8 2

WEST EAST  
S.—A K 6 3 S.—Q J 8  
H.—A J 6 H.—9 3 2  
D.—Q J 4 2 D.—9 6 3  
C.—Q 6 C.—A 5 4 3

SOUTH  
S.—7 4  
H.—K Q 8 7 5 4  
D.—A K 10  
C.—K 7

"The bidding (both sides vulnerable):  
South West North East  
1 heart 1 spade Pass Pass  
2 hearts Double Pass Pass  
Redouble Pass Pass Pass

"West led the club queen. East won and returned the heart nine. Declarer ducking, West won with the jack. The club six then was led and won by declarer. The heart king was taken by the ace and the spade ace was cashed, followed by a lead of the three spot, won by partner's spade queen. The spade jack was returned, declarer ruffing. Declarer played the ace of diamonds and the remaining trumps, on which West obligingly tossed his jack of diamonds in order to protect his king of spades. At this point, declarer let out an exultant shout: 'Made it, doubled and redoubled, game and rubber!' He then laid down the king of diamonds, catching West's unguarded queen.—L. B., Louisiana." First, let me repeat (for at least the



This photograph was taken when the British troops were in France, and shows a tank brigade Commander and his No. 2 conducting operations from their tank. (British Official Photograph).

fiftieth time) that I do not charge for advice. I cannot understand how a rumour so obviously absurd can remain in circulation.

Now for the technical points involved. My correspondent (East) may not be an "excellent student of bridge," but his hard headedness is, in this case, completely justified. West's double of two hearts was not a takeout or informatory double in any system! This was another of those cases where a player obviously "changed his mind" in the course of the bidding. Having failed to make the proper bid on the first round, that is, to have doubled one heart, West became panicky at the thought that he had not fully disclosed his strength, and attempted the impossible, to correct his first error by making a bid (double) that now had an entirely different meaning. East merely followed orders by leaving in the double.

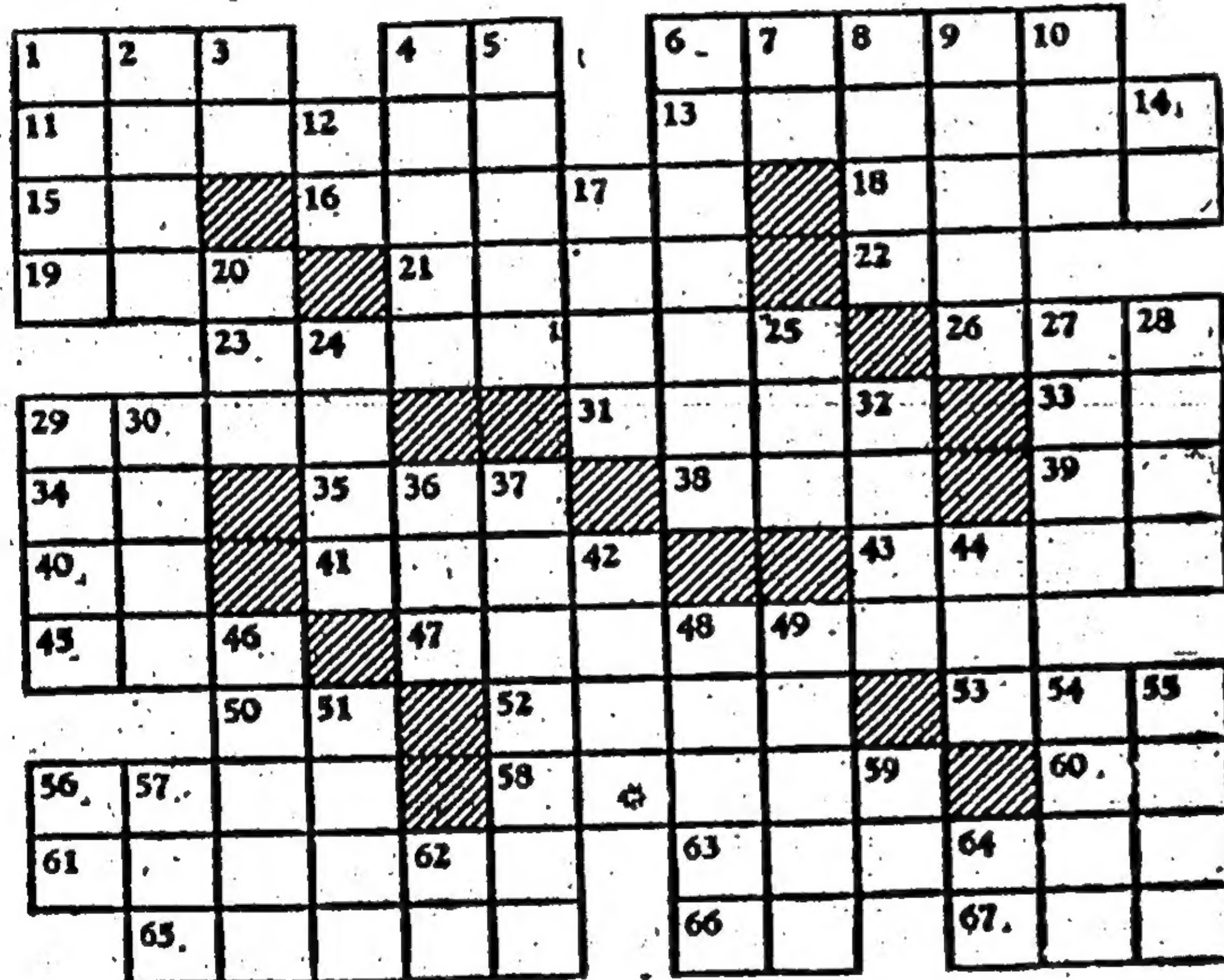
I must admit, however, that I am bewildered by the fact that the two heart double was fulfilled. Since there was no possible entry to the dummy, declarer should have lost two spades, two hearts, one diamond, and two clubs, for a two trick penalty. West's defence, including his opening lead,

was so horrible that it seems a bit thick for him to have offered any criticism of his partner's bidding.

## NICELY PUT

In 1918 when the French occupied Alsace, the first thing the French general did was to post French Army orders beside the last ones left by the German commander. The German general had decreed: "I forbid the soldiers of the army corps to visit the taverns after 11 p.m." The French general had ordered: "The soldiers of the -th army corps are permitted to visit the taverns until 10 p.m." Comparing these two notices, the citizen deduced that the Germans forbid everything while the French allow everything.—Kurt von Stutterheim in "The Two Germans," (Sidgwick and Jackson).

## SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



### HORIZONTAL

- 1 Music: as written
- 4 Parent
- 6 Braid of hair
- 11 Company of dancers
- 13 Opening
- 15 Hawaiian bird
- 16 To ascend
- 18 Roman mid-day meal
- 19 Cask
- 21 Jewish month
- 22 Pronoun
- 23 Asserted
- 26 Ethiopian chieftain
- 29 Roster
- 31 Son of Adam
- 33 Behold!
- 34 Symbol for silver
- 35 Dervish's hat
- 38 Vote of approval
- 39 Preposition
- 40 Compass point
- 41 Dutch cheese
- 43 Image
- 45 Roman bronze
- 47 Wind instrument
- 50 Exclamation of incredulity
- 52 Toward the mouth
- 53 Moist

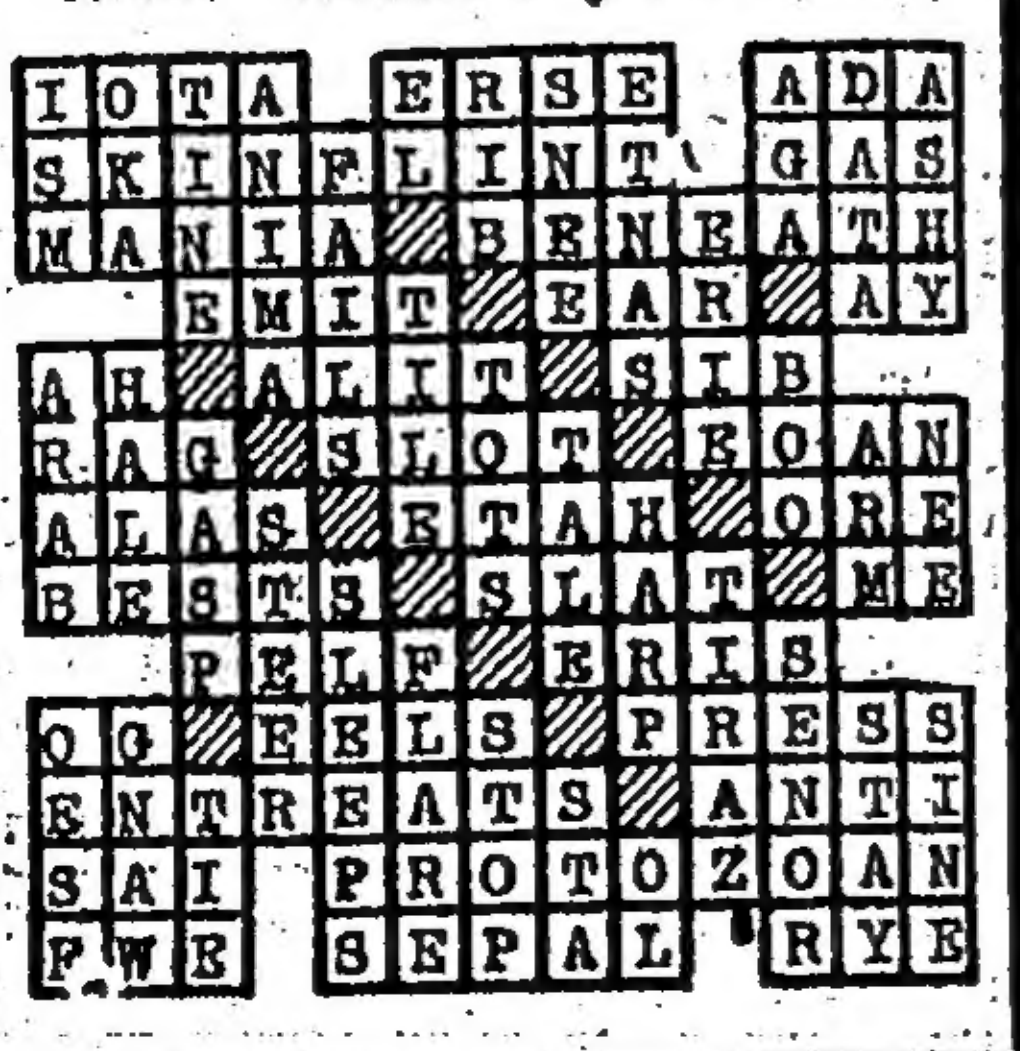
- 56 South American armadillo
- 58 Former president of Czechoslovakia
- 60 Parent
- 61 Famous Florentine family
- 63 Speech of Scottish Highlanders
- 65 Enclosed automobile
- 66 Hebrew name for God
- 67 Division of a play

### VERTICAL

- 1 Tax
- 2 Archaic: you
- 3 Indo-Chinese language
- 4 Wall
- 5 Apart
- 6 Because of that
- 7 Chinese measure
- 8 Every
- 9 To pilot

- 10 Celestial body
- 12 Sun god
- 14 Symbol for samarium
- 17 Icelandic legend
- 20 Club
- 24 Tardy
- 25 River in Wales
- 27 Singing voice
- 28 Before long
- 29 Frog genus
- 30 Curved molding
- 32 Reclined
- 36 Flurry
- 37 Plotter against an existing government
- 42 Female horse
- 44 Cry of crow
- 46 Darkness
- 48 To wander
- 49 Standard of perfection
- 51 Dry
- 54 Narrative poem
- 55 Diplomacy
- 56 Part of "to be"
- 57 Footlike part
- 59 Symbol for selenium
- 62 Symbol for calcium
- 64 Note of scale

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Patricia Lindsay Says:

## EXERCISES BANISH HOT WEATHER LEGARTHY

If your work confines you to office or home, and little time is free for outdoor activity, you simply must do a few home callisthenics daily to keep your figure streamlined and your pep up to par. It is surprising how a few simple rolls on the floor and a couple of bending-over movements will wake up your lazy circulation (even if the day is warm) and make you feel you can take what comes!

Don't make the mistake of thinking you can get by without exercising just because it is hot weather. Our bodies have a lot of little muscles and big muscles which need stretching every single day. When you neglect to get a muscle work-out, so to speak, your body grows sluggish, your mind dull and your spirit droops as rapidly as the thermometer rises!

## TRY THESE

In the morning when you get out of bed, spread a blanket on the floor and exercise:

For Hip Slimming: Sit with legs stretched out before you, feet together. Brace yourself by placing both palms on the floor in back of your hips. Lean back and keep chin

up. Now swing your left leg over the right with a good rolling motion. Swing it back to position. Then swing your right leg over your left. As you swing, as far as your leg can go, keep your other leg on the floor. Feel a deep massage on your buttock and a twisting at your waistline. You may do this to some swing music on the radio. Repeat entire exercise as many times as you desire. It is splendid for hip and waist reducing.

Under Your Shower: Turn your shower on forcibly, soap your skin and rinse well. Then stiffen your left knee. Turn so the force of the shower water hits your left buttock. With both hands slap the buttock forcibly from below—lifting it as you strike. Then slap high on your right hip as the water runs on it. Change leg positions and repeat exercise on left buttock and hip.

This smart slapping, as the water runs forcibly, gives your hips and buttocks a very deep massage and is marvellous for reducing them. It also gives your abdomen, arms, and shoulders a rapid work-out if you slap quickly in rhythm.

After doing this exercise, stand erect under the shower and force back your shoulder blades. Bend slightly forward from the waist so the shower water strikes your back. Swing rapidly from side to side so that the water will swish across your shoulders and down your spine. You'll love the refreshed feeling you get from that!

End your shower-bath routine by turning on the cold water for a mo-



GALE STORM, young hopeful of the RKO Studio, demonstrates the hip reducing exercise described in to-day's column.

ment, for a quick cooling, and then jump out from under it.

After a slow drying, anoint your skin with your favourite summer

cologne and you are ready for those fresh cool undies you laid out the night before.

So off to your work, my pet, your day will be the brighter for the few minutes you spared giving your body what it needs!

## SHE'S A WISE WOMAN

WHO keeps in mind that a little credit is a dangerous thing.  
Who is able both to mend her husband's clothes and his ways.  
Who has learned the paradox that to have joy one must give it.  
Who can tell the difference between her first child and a genius.  
Who most admires those eyes which belong to a man who understands her.  
Who acknowledges the allowance made by her husband by making allowances for him.  
Who appreciates that the largest room in any house is that left for self-improvement.  
Who manages to keep not only her house and her temper, but her servants and her figure as well.  
Who can distinguish between the laugh of amusement and the one meant to show off a dimple.  
—Adapted from Nancy Craig's Woman of To-morrow Programme over NBC.

## HOMEMAKER'S DIARY

A delicious topping for waffles or pancakes is made thus: Cream together one-half cup each of butter and confectioners' sugar and mix in a third of a cup of shaved maple sugar, a third of a teaspoon of cinnamon, and one teaspoon of vanilla.

To brighten gilt frames, take sufficient flower of sulphur to give a golden tinge to about a pint and a half of water. In this boil four or five bruised onions. When cold, strain off the liquid and, using a soft brush, scrub any gilding that needs restoring.

Do you hate to take medicine? Then rub your tongue with ice just before you take a bitter dose, swallow promptly, and you will find that the cold ice momentarily deadens your sense of taste.

There are three main don'ts for a good painting job: 1) Don't economise on the quality of the paint, because the better grade covers a larger area and lasts longer. 2) Don't buy cheap brushes; the hairs are likely to fall out and mar the paint. 3) Don't fail to use the right type of paint for the job on hand.

Chewing gum can be removed from washable material by softening the gum with egg white, then washing.

To restore drooping cut flowers, cut off a piece of the stem, cutting diagonally across, and plunge the ends into boiling water for about three minutes, making sure that the blooms are kept away from the steam.

If moles are at work in your bulb bed, place a few moth balls in the runs. These will keep moles, mice, and gophers away.

The handles on silver knives become loose because the cement has been washed out. To prevent this, do not let silver knives soak long in hot water and remember to wipe them as quickly as possible after washing them in warm water and soap suds.

When hanging pictures, place a thumb tack in each corner of the back of the frame to keep it away from the wall. This tends to prevent the dark streaks that usually form around the wall area covered by pictures.

For Strawberry Pie, take:  
3 cups mashed strawberries  
½ cupful sugar or to taste  
2 tablespoons cornstarch  
¼ cup cold water  
Pinch of salt

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## FEMININE LINES



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20th Century's Lillian Porter wears a suit of velvet plush, with corselette waistline and tucks on bust for added fullness.



Presto-change-o, and we have Iva Stewart wearing a Princess styled suit of a corded weave, with square neckline.

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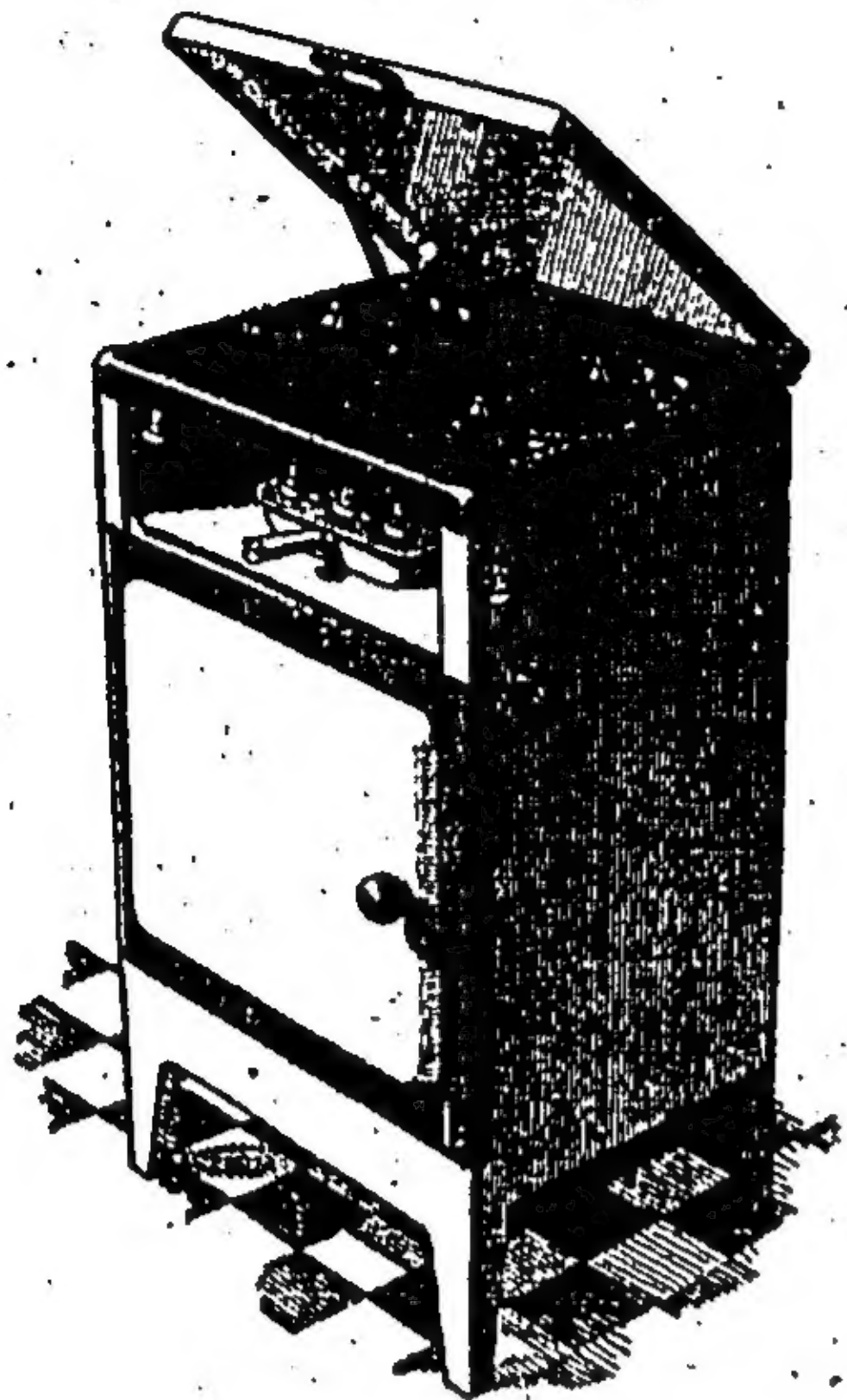
Two beautiful models add "body" to a suit of velvet plush, zipped at the bust—and a corded Princess suit of stunning simplicity. At right, Kay Griffiths, 20th Century Fox star, "figures" in a suit with gathered neckline.





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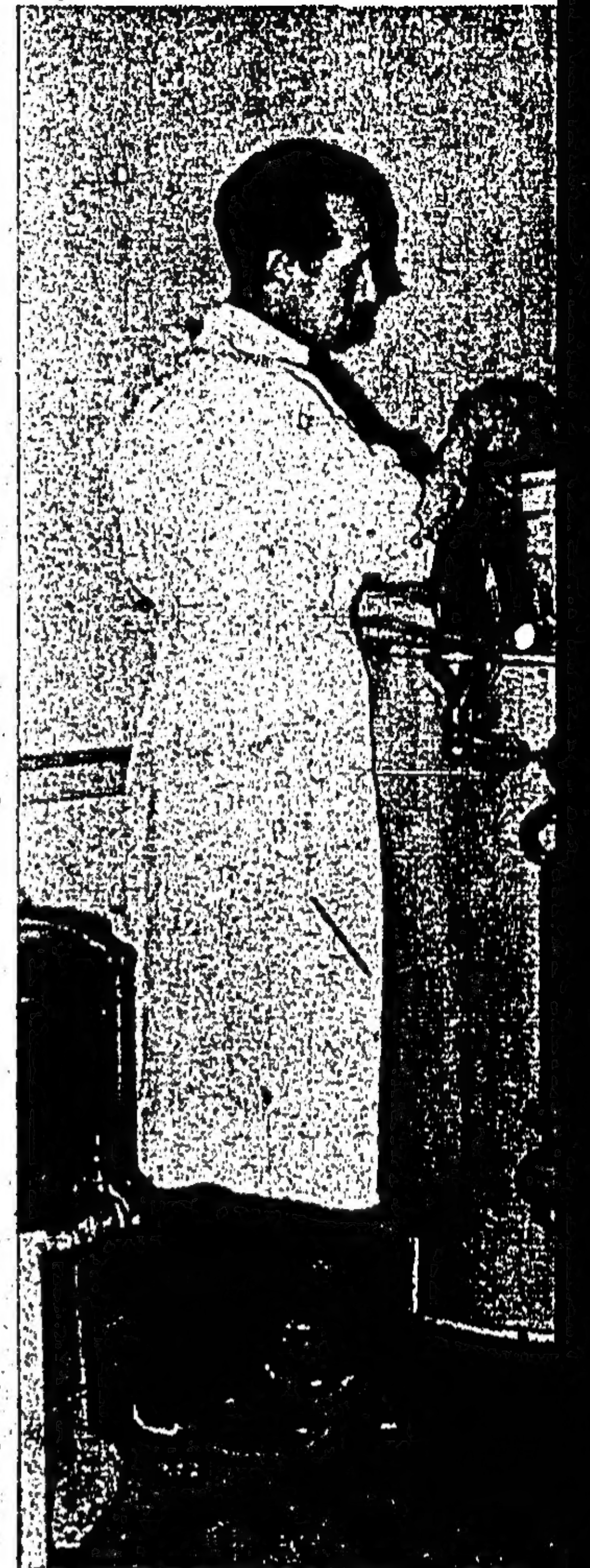
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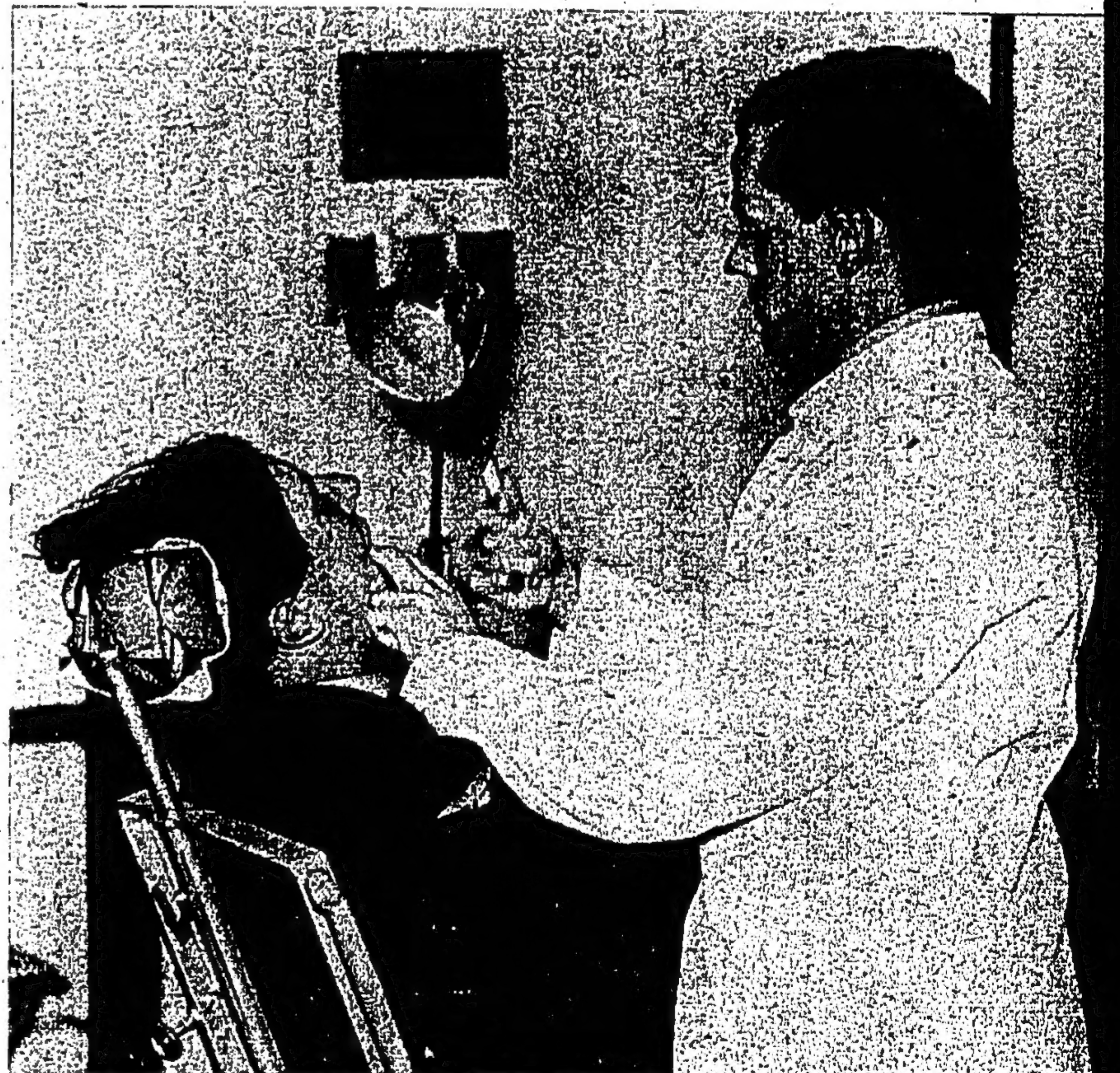
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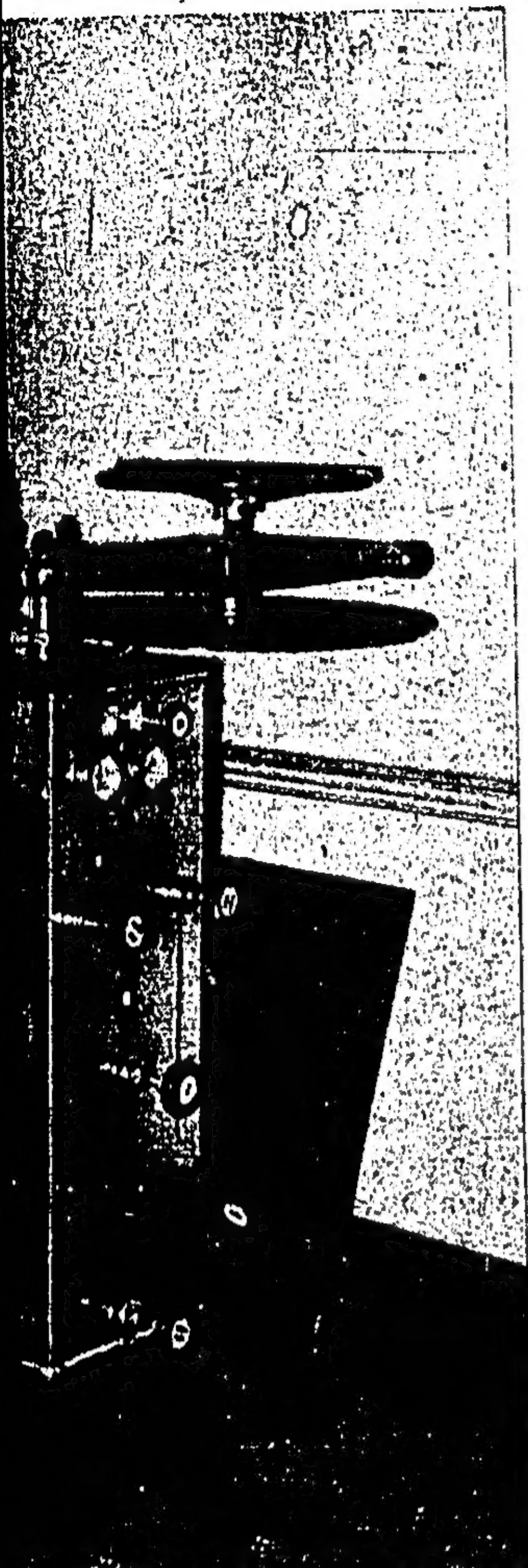


The Dental Officer makes a successful extraction.

The severe winter, in the early stages of the war in France, reached France, accommodation had to be improvised conditions. The Medical Officers carried out a splendid efficiency. These pictures show how



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The photograph at the extreme top shows an operation in progress with up-to-date anaesthesia being used, while directly below that is a view of an improvised medical ward, showing the Medical Officer chatting with the patients.



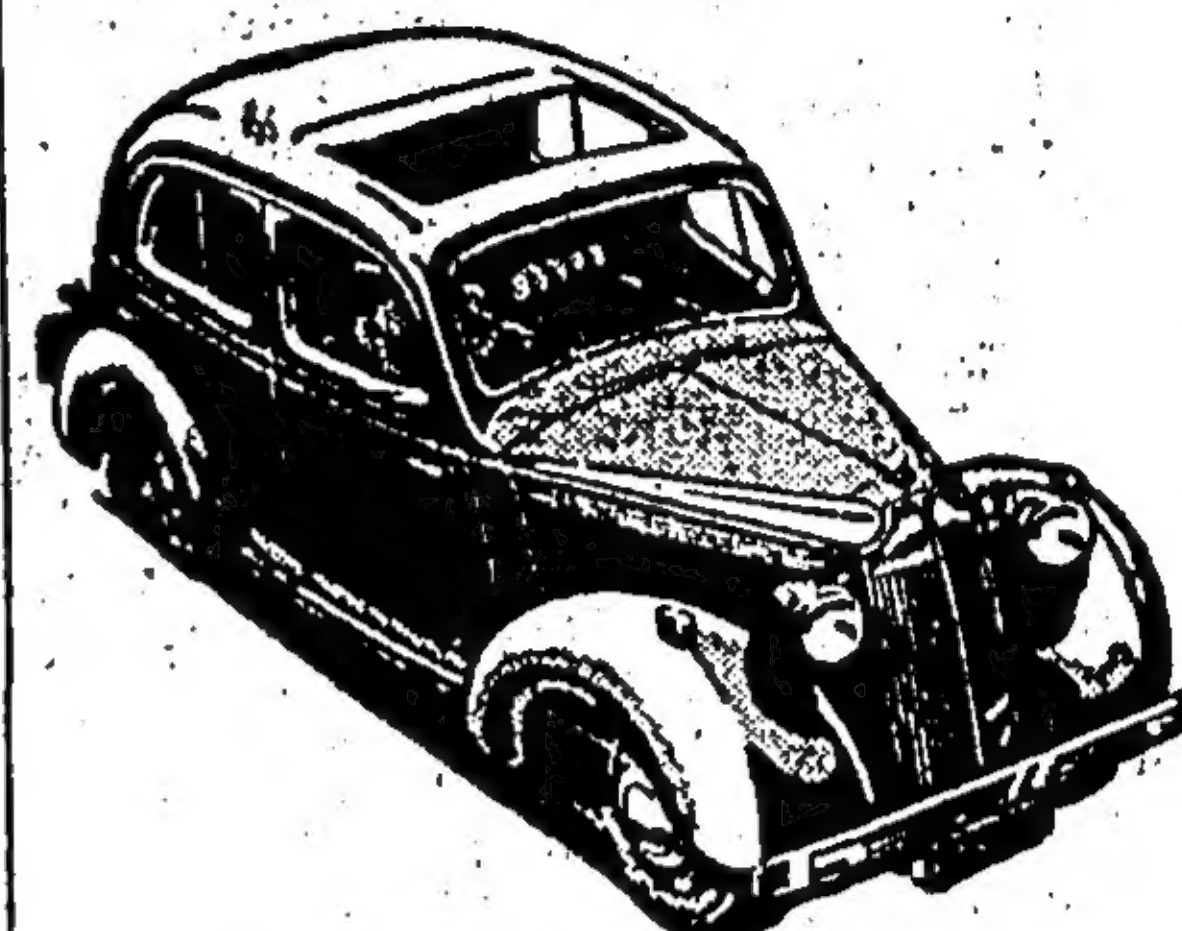
The Commanding Officer of the unit at work in his office.

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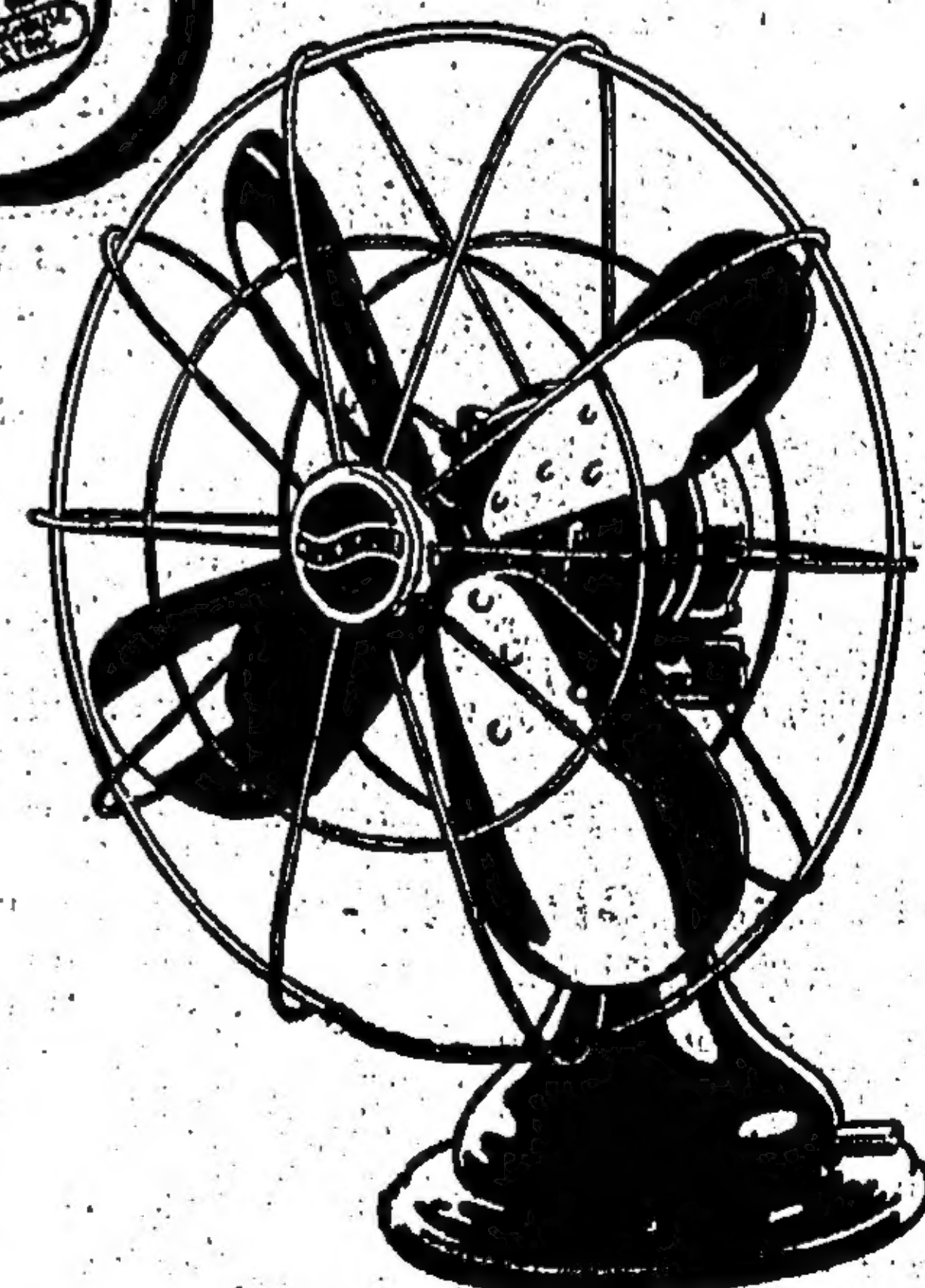


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# The Soldier's Mind At War

THE Duke of Wellington, who was a psychologist as well as a brilliant military leader, criticised a certain general by saying, "He was as brave as his own sword, but he did not know what men could do or not do."

To-day, when the whole tempo of war has been accelerated to a whirlwind pace, Wellington's words have added significance. The pounding of heavy artillery, the thundering of bomber squadrons, the clattering of the tanks—these, and a thousand other wracking sounds which characterise twentieth century warfare, subject the soldier to a terrific nervous strain. It is most important, therefore, to know "what men could do or not do" under these new conditions; how much the nervous system can bear without suffering a collapse.

A whole literature based on the experiences of the past war is available for the guidance of the 1940 army psychiatrist. Scores of detailed studies have been made about the soldier and his mind, from the moment he enlists until he becomes a seasoned veteran. With a view to increasing the efficiency of their fighting forces, the High Commands of all warring nations are vitally concerned with the problems facing the soldier and the manner in which he reacts to them. For morale must be maintained at all costs, and the maintenance of morale calls for keen insight into the emotional life of the individual man who makes up an army. Here are some of the things that every High Command knows.

After enlisting, the soldier must first get in tune with his new environment. Individuality must give way to discipline, sacrifices must be made for the common good. To most men this process is not difficult and in a surprisingly short time they are well adjusted and work hard for promotions.

Accompanying the adaptive process are the problems arising from sex. Married men, as well as those unaccustomed to incontinence, experience a temporary tension until they become used to the celibate mode of life. In cases of exceptional virility, perhaps a slight neurosis will result. Often, of course, providing that the troops are not too close to the theatre of war, there are ample means on hand to gratify the sex passion.

The period of training has important physical and mental effects. In many instances for the first time in his life the soldier has been leading a well-regulated existence—getting the right food, sufficient sleep and ample exercise. He feels in the pink of condition. Certain psychological changes have also come over him. Manoeuvres, bayoneting effigies, firing explosives, have aroused his warlike instincts. And so, imbued with patriotic fervor and happy to be



Two business houses have converted London's oldest disused tube station in King William Street, E.C., into what they claim to be the most up-to-date air-raid shelter in London, and one of the largest in the country, capable of holding some 2,000 people. A special shaft has been constructed from King William Street House to facilitate quicker entrance from there, and the station has been refloored, air-conditioned, and fitted with a First-Aid station. Something like £20,000 has been spent on the provision of the shelter. A view of the interior of the old station is given above. (Fox Photos, Copy-right).

freed from the discipline of the training camp, the soldier marches off to war joking, laughing and expectant. As Stanley Hall once wrote, "Fear has its fascinations, and strong adventuresome souls not only face danger when it comes, but go forth to meet it. . . we love so to strive, that we come to love the fears that give us strength for conflict. . ."

After the departure for the battlefields, when the novelty of the new surroundings has worn off, there follows a feeling of displeasure. Removed from the usual diversions provided by civilians, such as movies, concerts, etc., the soldier becomes somewhat sullen and is preoccupied with thoughts of home. Our educational system does not develop the ability of self-entertainment, and until the soldier learns to draw on his own resources he will have many sour moments.

Next comes the baptism of fire. Most fear that they will be afraid; each man endeavours to hide his fear from his companions. It is much easier to fight, front line men have unanimously claimed, if there are officers who you know care for you and are going through the same experience. Worst of all is waiting. To stand idly by in the middle of a bombardment, without being allowed to retaliate, taxes even the most stable and patient. That is why the war of movement is much easier on the human psyche than the war of position.

Humanity has tremendous powers of adjustment. Ears become adapted to the din; one soon begins to acquire some skill in judging where the shells are going to explode. When the soldier learns that he can bear up in battle and avoid a few of the shells, his confidence is immediately established. After a few tastes of fire, he becomes a grizzled veteran, who adopts an attitude of dogged determination to stick the war out. He reacts to danger intelligently, rather than fearfully; he does not believe that he will be killed, although he does reflect that sooner or later he

will be wounded by a bullet or a piece of shrapnel. As a good soldier, he is guided by a positive stimulus—the desire to succeed and make good.

The real test on the soldier's nerves comes after the conflict has been in progress for many months or years. War consists of periods of intermittent inactivity and feverish activity. The troops may be subject to the widest variety of emotional experience for weeks on end: elation, depression, remorse, anxiety. Where in civil life it is possible to sleep off strain or recuperate at the seashore, in time of war escape is not always so easy. This fatigue, accompanied by strain, leads to pains, irritability and loss of self-control.

Prior to the First World War pessimistic prophets were freely observing that the coming war would drive entire armies insane; that they would not be able to withstand the impact of the terrific pounding. Time revealed that they underestimated the toughness of the human nervous system. For though there were cases of serious mental disorders in the army, they were relatively very few.

What form did the mental ailments of the soldiers take? There were no special military psychoses. The types of mental disease were no different from those in civil life, although there was abundant evidence that latent tendencies were brought out by war. All psychopathic conditions were blanketed under the general term "shell-shock" and during 1914-18 there was considerable confusion both among the medical profession and the laity concerning its diagnosis and treatment.

The symptoms of shell-shock varied. Often, after severe explosions, stretcher-bearers would bring in men whom they found staggering about in a state of amnesia and delirium. The doctors at the front were quick to pronounce these men as insane, and ordered large numbers of them to be shipped back to mental hospitals. By the time the patients completed their homeward journey, the

majority were found to have recovered completely. They were "shell-shocks" whose illness was only temporary, and brought on more by fatigue than anything else. Shell-shock commonly manifests itself by the mimicry of some disease. The victim would suddenly go blind, deaf, dumb, or experience tremors, paralysis, or contractures. The medical officers could find no physical basis for these complaints, and as a result all neurasthenics were regarded with suspicion as malingering. It was not until wide observation led the experts to look elsewhere for the source of this strange ailment that caused physically healthy soldiers to imagine themselves the victim of some dread disease.

The cause, they discovered, as in all psychoses, lay in a mental conflict. Soldiers, after months of war, became war-weary and fed up; as the French say, they had *le cafard*. Consciously, the soldier has no intention of evading his duty, but subconsciously, he knows that he can escape by being wounded. A shell bursts, and although he may have only been hit by a few particles of earth, he finds that he is blind, or that he cannot walk, or one of many other afflictions has descended on him.

The feigning of a disease—a neurasthenic symptom—is some mental abnormality, finding expression in a bodily symptom. It has nothing to do with cowardice, because the patient is powerless to fight it. It is the view of a South African V.C. that "cowardice in the face of an enemy does not exist. Fear is a condition of the mind; a malady which cannot be cured on the spot, and may prompt a man to do unaccountable things. Every man who has attacked and gone through shell-fire knows how the mind becomes numbed and one goes doggedly on to an objective. A man may be so shell-shocked as to lose all control of himself. His nerves go and his body does not fully react to the impulses and dictates of his mind. Shocked and bewildered, he staggers about. He may run blindly and madly back, and when sanity returns, he is overcome with fear. Fear of what? Not of shell-fire or death, but a fear that he may be called a coward for an uncontrollable act. . ."

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# STAMPED WITH BLOOD

**H**AD Helen of Troy's nose been an inch longer, all history might have been changed. To-day it seems to us implausible that jealousy even about the most beautiful woman would start a war. But in modern times so seemingly unimportant an object as the tiny, coloured squares of paper with which people pay for postage have come close on several occasions to starting wars of very respectable proportions.

There was that recent flareup between Nicaragua and Honduras. In 1937 Nicaragua issued a stamp which bore a map of that little Central American nation, including some territory which Honduras also claimed. Nicaragua had marked the land "territory in litigation," but Honduras protested there was no litigation about it, the land was hers! Nicaragua replied "It's ours!"

At once all factions in Honduras fell in behind the government. Radio spellbinders flung ferocious calls to battle over the ether.

And outraged, hotblooded students issued a manifesto: "Fight against the dismemberment of the Fatherland!"

Back to their Nicaraguan senders, unopened, went all letters addressed to patriotic Hondurans on which the odious stamps had been affixed. At this writing the shouting and the tumult have abated, the stamps have been withdrawn, the dogs of war sleep again, at least for the moment.

In August of this same year the government of Costa Rica refused to recognise stamps issued by the Spanish Insurgent regime. One may be

sure General Franco would not let such an affront pass, were he not so busy trying to destroy the Loyalists.

In 1928 Bolivia and Paraguay issued stamps bearing maps of the respective nations—each map laying claim to the disputed Chaco. Feeling ran high and hostilities actually began and went on for several days. The League of Nations managed to patch up the quarrel, but in 1932 a bloody battle for the territory began which did not end until 1935, with the practical exhaustion of both nations.

America, too, swung dangerously close to war in a dispute in which a stamp figured prominently. At the end of the last century American capitalists had invested huge sums of money in the ore and mineral properties of Venezuela. Venezuela issued a stamp with one of those explosive maps, which showed as part of that country a large region in the Orinoco Valley. This was precisely the land to which England also laid claim as part of British Guiana. The British Lion roared indeed, and was prevented sending an army into the territory only because President Cleveland warned that America felt bound under the Monroe Doctrine to defend Venezuela's territorial integrity. A special message to Congress in December, 1895, reaffirmed this stand, and we stood committed to go to war if the Lion pounced on our southern neighbour. Fortunately, England was in no mood for armed conflict, and she finally agreed to arbitrate.

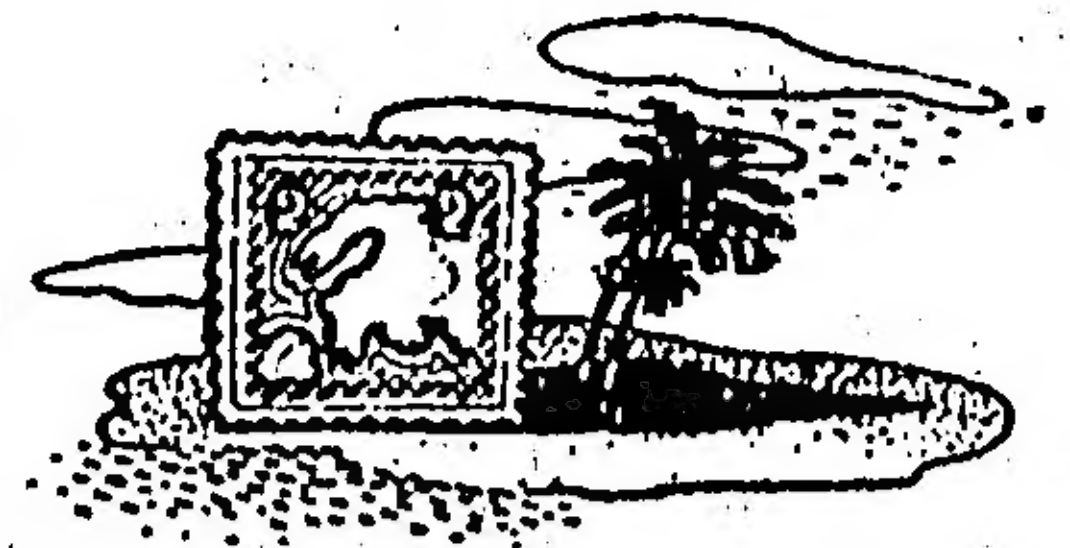
To "stamp" on religious sensibilities has proved even more dangerous than to arouse nationalistic hatreds. In 1898 an uprising of Dervishes in the Sudan could be traced back at least in part to the issuance of a stamp depicting in its background a water lily! The flower, known as the Egyptian lotus, is sacred among Mohammedans. The situation in the Sudan, under English domination, was especially delicate because French imperialism as well as native religious zeal stood in Britain's way.

The Dervishes were outraged because the lotus occupied a position on the stamp subordinate to the foreground of a mailman seated on a camel. While all this was going on the French raised the tricolour at Fashoda in the Sudan. Fortunately for the British the French finally withdrew, but it was not until Kitchener with an army of British and Egyptian troops routed the Dervishes at Omdurman that the insurrection was put down.

In 1911 rumblings of revolt came from underneath a stamp, again to threaten Britain's Empire, this time in India. Ironically enough, the English were really trying to pay tribute to their Hindu subjects' faith. The stamp in question depicted what the

British intended to be an elephant. But it was so badly printed that it looked more like any other animal than an elephant and, straining the imagination, it looked like a pig, at least to the Hindus. The pig is as profane and unclean to the Hindus as the elephant is sacred. A revolt was actually plotted, and only withdrawal of the stamp pacified the populace.

When we remember that the stamp is after all only a hundred years old, it must be evident that in this relatively short span of history these



brightly coloured bits of paper have had an amazing effect on human belligerence. Little did Sir Rowland Hill realise in 1837, when he proposed "a small square of paper large enough to carry the postal cancellation and thinly coated on one side with glue"—little did he realise that blood might one day stain these tiny squares.—Albert Brandt.

## WOMEN WHO WORK

Robert Taylor:  
I LIKE THEM--

I like the minds of women who work. Even in a small office job, a girl comes in contact with the larger world. She knows that by discussing things with her, the man will be better able to clarify the details in his own mind. And so she is willing to listen.

I like the understanding of women who work. They know what it is like to be so tired that you haven't the slightest desire to go anywhere, see anyone, or even say anything.

I like the home-making qualities of women who work. A woman makes a home when she offers companionship after working hours. This is more important, to my mind, than just housekeeping.

Loretta Young:  
I DON'T--

I don't like the blindness of women who work. We dash through swinging doors. We never wait until the man helps us out of the car. We announce what we will have for dinner before the man has even had time to seat himself. We light our own cigarettes, put on our own coats, buy our own flowers, and whimper because our more helpless sisters are better cared for.

I don't like the job absorption of women who work. A job demands so much of us, that we think, eat, sleep our work. It colours all our conversation.

I don't like the fatigue of women who work. In our playtime hours, I'm afraid, we're more like blotting paper than sparkling femininity.

—Glamour.

## The Soldier's Mind At War

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Both Allied and German medical officers, in their post-war reports, are agreed that malingering was a rarity. Professor Gaupp, a German psychiatrist, wrote, "There is no justification for calling this case, (shell-shock), malingering. There are capable men whose nervous systems are incapable of the hardship and horror of war. Their inner strength rapidly decreases and it only takes an acute storm to break upon the nervous system for their self-control to vanish completely." Read, an Englishman, corroborates this opinion and claims that among millions of men malingering was practically non-existent.

Study of thousands of army mental cases have taught psychiatrists that a good percentage of shell-shock sufferers had psychopathic tendencies before the war started. In all probability, even in civil life, many of these would have failed to adjust themselves to their environment. The war, in these cases, was responsible for the strain that resulted in a break-down. Claustrophobics, for example, were uncontrollable in a trench or dugout; soldiers with childhood fears and inhibitions would often collapse; timid people likewise found life in the front lines more painful than their extroverted comrade in arms.

The outstanding conclusion to be drawn is that great care should be exercised in recruiting and assigning men to various jobs. Wherever possible, each man should be given work that is most suitable to his own peculiar temperament. War does produce an undesirable effect on the minds of everyone participating, but by a careful selection of personnel, the seriousness of this effect can be considerably reduced.

Courage is the control of fear through the positive stimulus of a cause worth fighting for. So long as fear of danger can only be controlled by fear of greater danger, there is fruitful material for the breakdown of morale. Therein lies the superiority of the Allied forces in their conflict with the totalitarian states.

## PARTY LINE

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"Mr. Tompkins, this is the Telephone Company."

"All right, all right. I'll pay your damned bill. I'll send you a check in the morning." And the receiver banged down.

—Bruce Bliven, Jr. in *The New Republic*, New York.

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## ECONOMY

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## HIS MISTAKE

For Sale.—New baby carriage, bought in error; never been used; too busy with politics. A bargain at £4. Write Box—Newspaper Advertisement, Lilliput, London.

## EVASIVE

"How did you manage to evade the question that your father died in the electric chair?"

"I said he occupied the chair of applied electricity in a public institution."

## HEART AND SOUL

Miss Ella Jenkins is easily the most accomplished actress the Little Players have had in several seasons. When she steps on to the stage it is easy to see she has her heart and soul in her pants. — *Grand Island (Texas) Weekly.*

## EPIDEMIC

Father (calling on family doctor): Doctor, my son has cholera, and the worst part of it is that he admits he caught it from kissing the maid.

Doctor: Oh well, young people will do thoughtless things.

Father: But, doctor, to be quite frank, I kissed the maid myself.

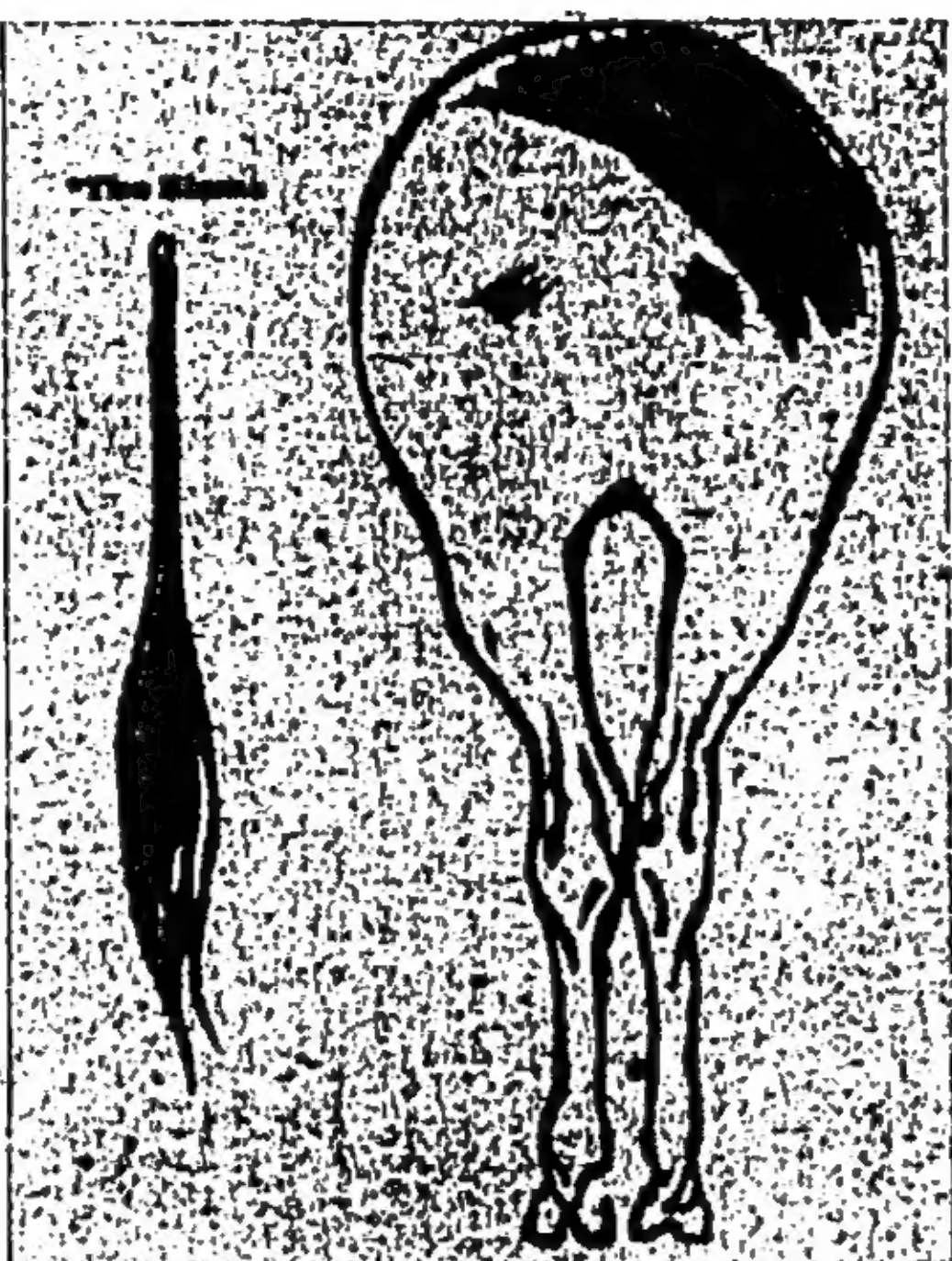
Doctor: By jove, that's too bad.

Father: And to make matters worse, since then I kissed my wife every morning and evening. I'm afraid that she, too, will.

Doctor (wildly): Oh, my gosh, we'll all have it.

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## STILL THERE

The patient had just come out of a long delirium.

"Where am I?" he asked feebly, as he felt loving hands making him comfortable. "Am I in heaven?"

"No," cooed his wife, "I'm still still with you, dear."

## THE DEFINITION

Father: "A traitor is a man who leaves our party and goes over to the other side."

Boy: "Well, what's a man who leaves his party and comes over to your side?"

Father: "A convert, my boy."

## TOO WISE

The archbishop had preached a fine sermon on the beauties of married life. Two old Irish women coming out of the church were heard commenting upon his address.

"Tis a fine sermon his reverence would be after givin' us," said Bridget.

"It is, indade," replied Maggie, "and I wish I knew as little about the matter as he does."

## THAT'S DIFFERENT

They were standing at the front gate.

"Won't you come into the parlour and sit a little while, George dear?"

"N—no, I guess not," replied George hesitatingly.

"I wish you would," the girl went on. "It's awfully lonely. Mother has gone out and father is upstairs groaning with rheumatism in both legs."

"Both legs?" asked George.

"Yes, both legs."

"Then I'll come in for a little while."

## BELATED REVENGE

We are always pleased, and somewhat flattered, when our daily mail contains a contribution to this column. Though we pride ourselves on having heard most of the "best," we must confess to having missed the following little story:—

Once upon a time there was a little honey bee who drank more than was good for him. He slept long and soundly as a result, until the big boss bee came along and woke him up. "Go fetch some pollen," ordered the big boss bee, so there was nothing the little honey bee could do but fly away. However, since his head ached and he was still very sleepy, he lit upon a cowslip and promptly went to sleep again. Now, a cow came along and swallowed the cowslip, bee and all. This action woke the little bee from his slumbers, and so indignant was he that he had half a mind to sting the naughty cow, but the closeness of the cow's stomach made him very drowsy, and he went to sleep again, vowing to sting the naughty cow when next he woke up. Half an hour later he roused himself for the third time... but, unfortunately, by now, the cow had gone.

## UNFIT

All of which brings us to the story of the Spanish-American war, which was contained in the same letter from a reader. As you all probably know, American negro troops were employed in the Philippines during that campaign. Said an officer one morning to a negro private: "Mose, take that bucket and go down to the stream for some water."

"Yas sar, boss," said the negro, who promptly grabbed the bucket and started towards the stream, whistling. About half an hour later he returned with an empty bucket.

"I thought I told you to go down to the stream and fetch some water," said the officer.

"Boss, der's a crocodile in dat dere stream," explained Mose.

"That crocodile is probably just as much afraid of you as you are of him," admonished the officer. But Mose stuck his ground.

"If dat dere crocodile is as much afraid of me as ah am of him," he said, "den dat dere water just ain't fit to drink!"

## SENSE

A sensible girl is not so sensible as she looks, because a sensible girl has more sense than to look sensible.

## ONCE TOO OFTEN

And then there's the guy who got thrown out of his apartment when the landlady heard him drop his shoes on the floor twice.

## WHICH?

Mother: "Have a good time at the dance to-night, dear, and be a good girl."

Daughter: "Make up your mind, Mother."

## CONFUCIUS SAY

Confucius say: "Football season great stuff... Only time man walk down street with blonde on one arm and blanket over other without encountering raised eyebrows."

## TRUTHFUL

Teacher: "I asked your boy, yesterday, who wrote 'Macbeth,' and he told me he didn't!"

Proud Father: "Solly's a truthful boy! If he says he didn't he didn't."

## FOOLING THEM

"All right back there?" called the conductor from the front of the car. "Hold on!" came a feminine voice.

"Wait till I get my clothes on."

The entire carful craned their necks expectantly. A girl got on with a basket of laundry.

## TENEMENT LANGUAGE

The teacher was trying to impress upon her young pupils in the tenement district the importance of being original. She illustrated by saying:

"Mickey, repeat these sentences in your own words: 'I see a cow. The cow is pretty. The cow can run.'"

Mickey said: "Boy, lamp de cow. Ain't she a honey? An' I ask you, kin she take it on the lam?"

## HE NEEDS IT

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## HER FATE

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When one gives alms to a beggar it is out of pure selfishness, because one cannot bear to witness the suffering of a fellow creature.

—Nebelspalter, Rorschach.

It is possible to educate insects. I once had a cricket which I taught to sing on two notes instead of its usual one, which indicates the musical faculties of these little mandolins.

—Marcel Roland in "La Grande Leçon des Petites Bêtes" (Mercurie de France).

Bernard Shaw was once invited to dine with a family. When he arrived at the house, one of the daughters sat down and began to play the piano. "I've heard that you like music," she remarked.

"That makes no difference, just keep right on playing," replied Shaw in his classic manner.—*Le Populaire*, Paris.

The post office received a letter addressed to "Mr. Ilks, service man Decatur, Ill." The letter was delivered to Fay Ickes, on the chance that he was the one meant. When Mr. Ickes opened the letter, he said: "My husband has dybeetus and has to be insulated twice a week. Please send the insulation right away."

—From *Journal of American Medical Association*, Chicago.

There are one-story intellects, two-story intellects, and three-story intellects with skylights. All fact collectors, who have no aim beyond their facts, are one-story men. Two-story men compare, reason, generalise, using the labours of fact collectors as well as their own. Three-story men idealise, imagine, predict; their best illumination comes from above, through the skylight.—*Oliver Wendell Holmes*.

To drink the health of anyone is to ask him to guard you while you drink and cannot defend yourself; and the person to whom you drink replies, "I pledge you," which means in their language, "I guarantee your safety." Then he draws his dagger, places the point on the table and protects you until your glass is empty.

That's why the pewter pots that they give for golf prizes have always got glass bottoms through which one can see the dagger of the assassin.—*Andre Maurois in Men Only*, London.

A correspondent of the "Daily Express," London, has suggested that it would be infinitely more pleasant if the sirens blown for air-raid warnings were replaced by powerful gramophones playing tunes like

"Who's afraid of the big bad wolf?" and "The March of Colonel Bogey."

During the World War a British spy managed to serve for three years as an officer on the German High Command, as assistant to General Dudenorff, while a German agent acted as British censor in London.—*Mieczyslaw Nowinski in American Mercury*, New York.

From left to right: Wing Commander Steel-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, and Mr. Puckle, Assistant Director of A.R.P.

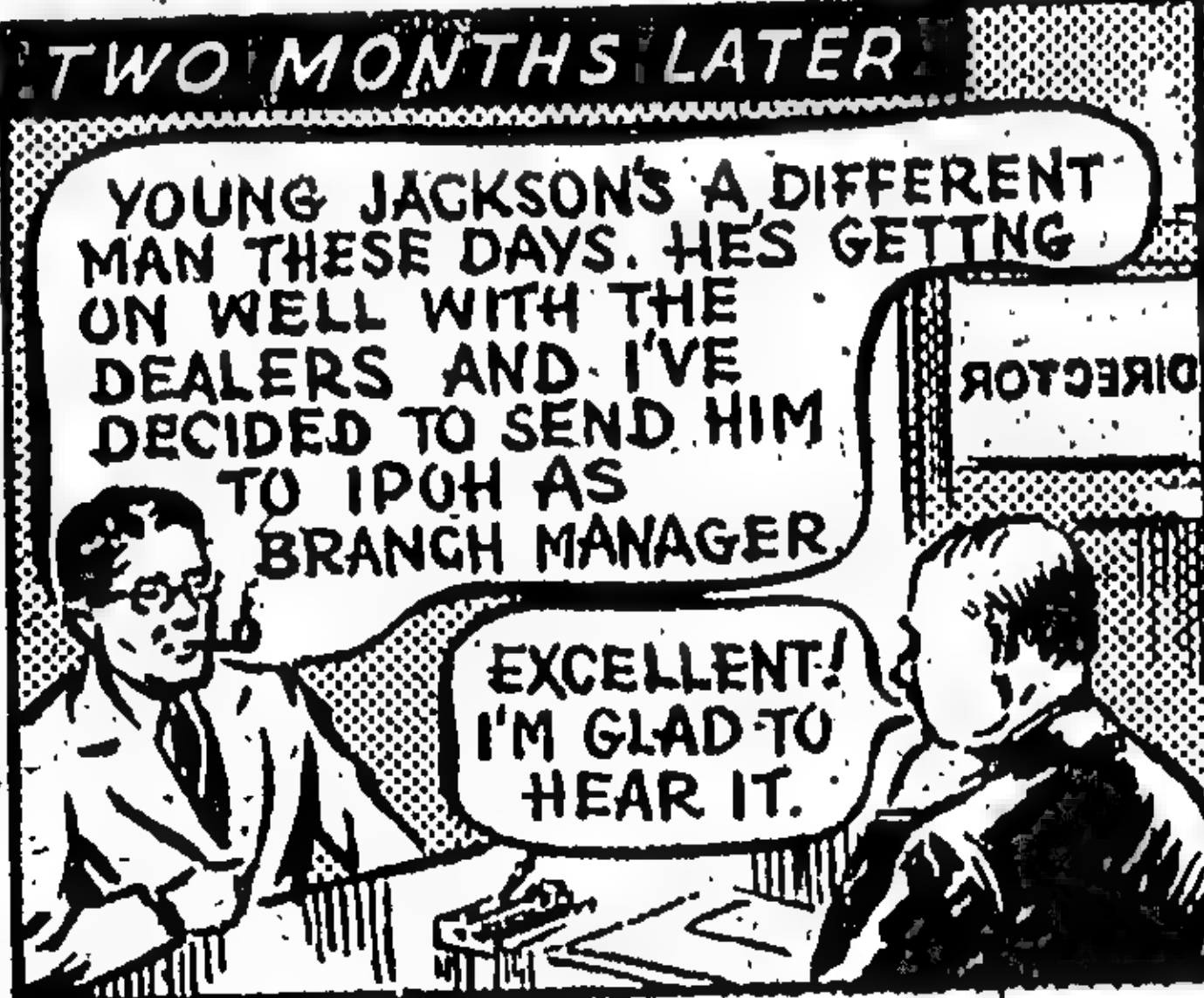
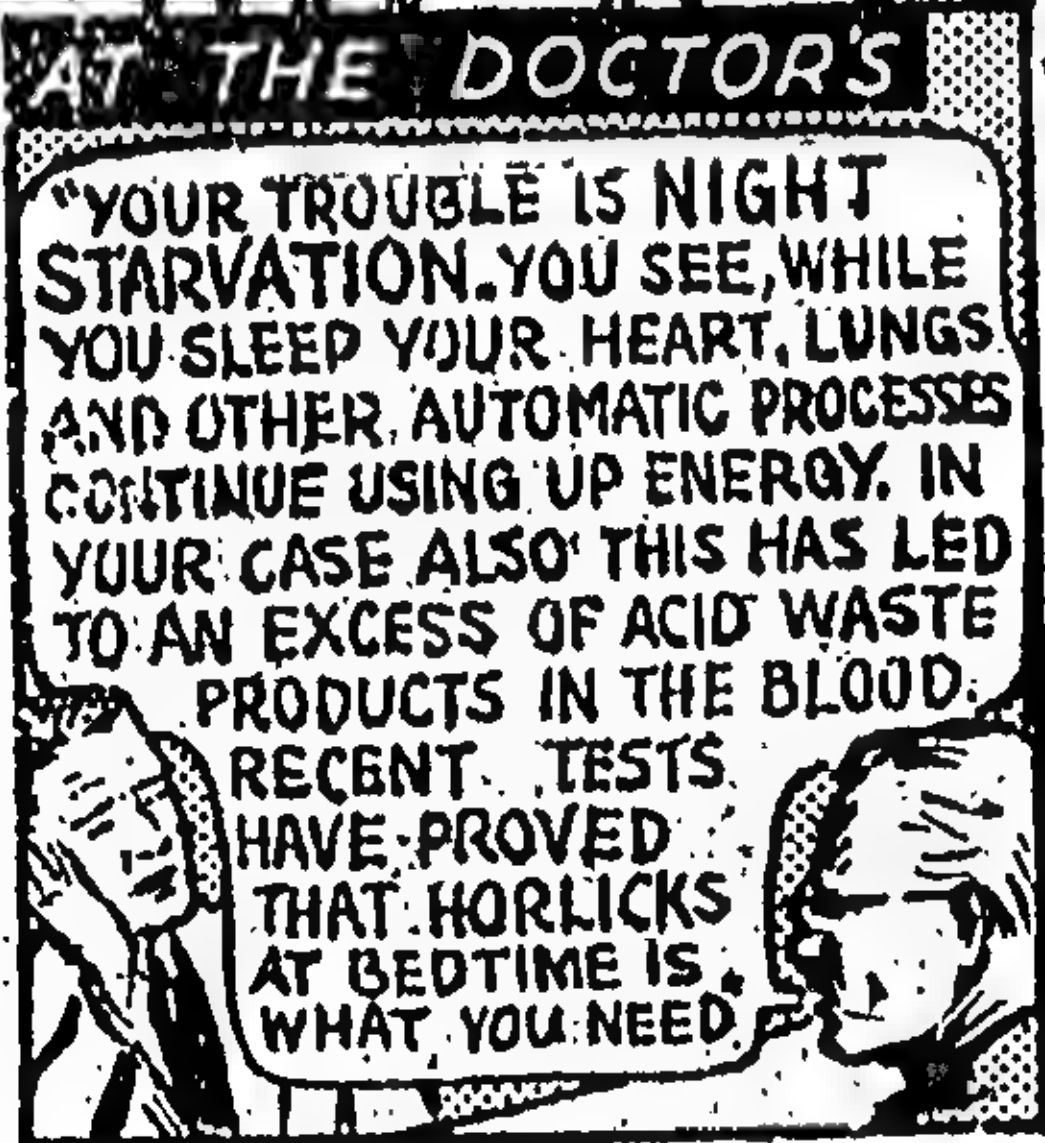
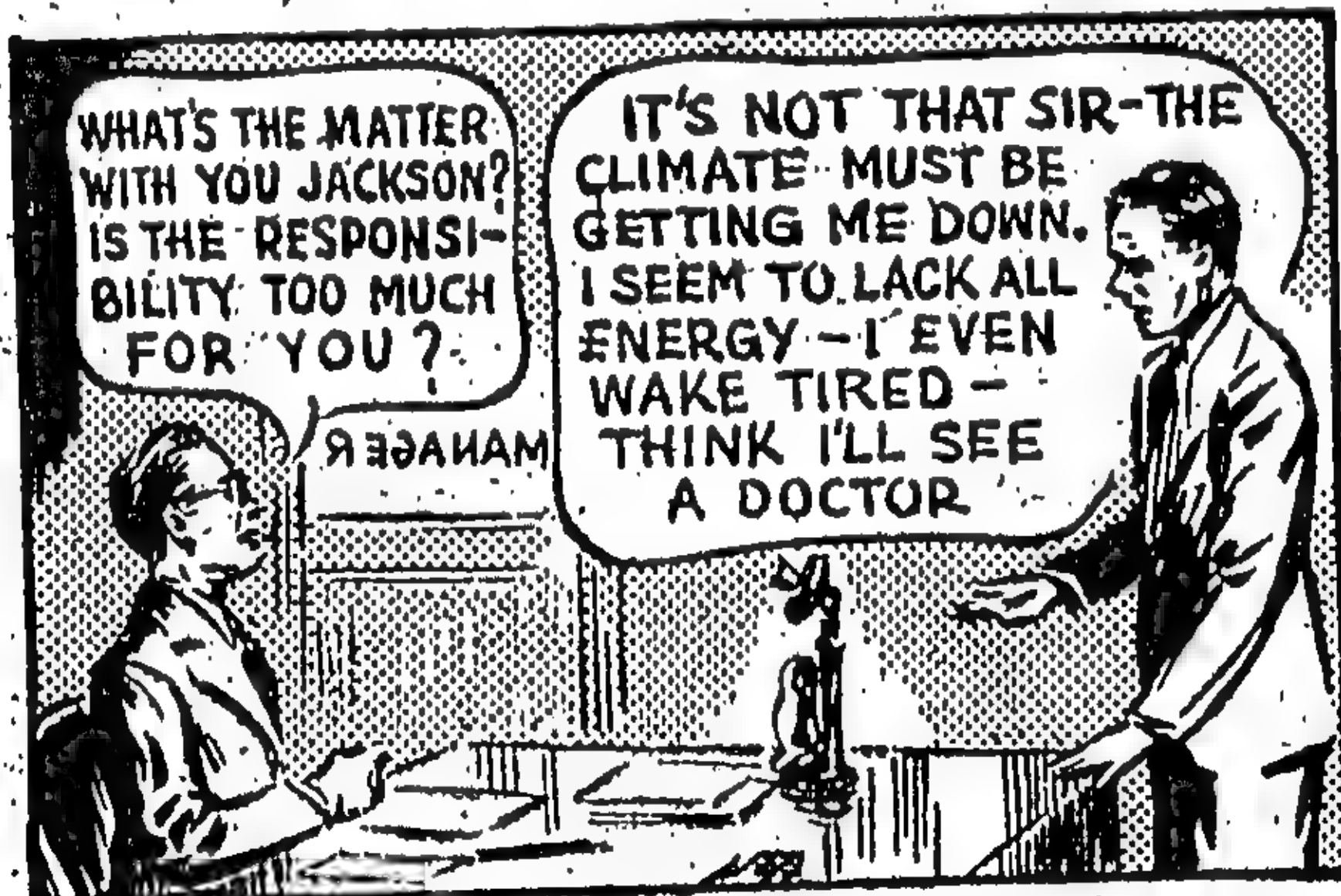
## An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds And Ends Noted In The Month's Reading.

In Vienna the food queues are so long that the Nazis have taken to distributing certain cards permitting the bearer to go to the head of the line. Officially these cards are for the sick and wounded, but in reality they are distributed to the friends of the Nazis, and are sold rather freely. The cards are so numerous in Vienna that there is a joke going the rounds; "I say, what is that queue, over there?" "O, that's the special privilege queue for the card-holders."—*Excelstor*, Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bok, who were married at Rosary Church recently. (D'Asis Studio).



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## FIRST-AID PRACTICE

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(Tong).

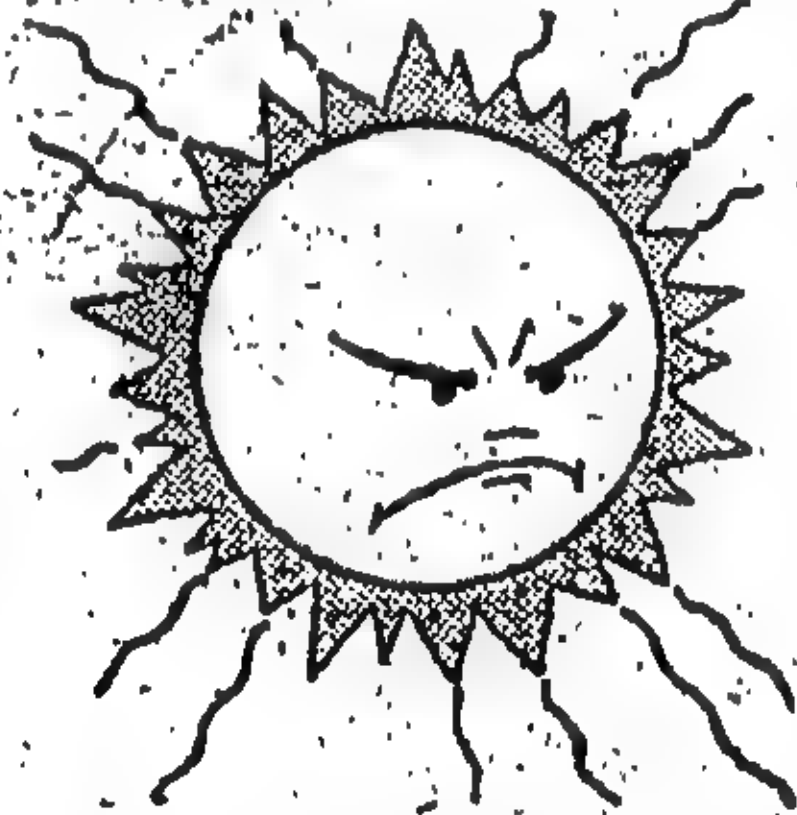


Stretcher-bearers, wearing gas masks, are here getting ready to transport a "casualty" to the the First-Aid post.



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## GOERING LICKS HIS WOUNDS

No Daylight Raid On England Yesterday

### Deliberate Attack On Open Town

GENERAL GOERING WAS LICKING HIS WOUNDS YESTERDAY. THE TASTE OF BRITAIN'S SPITFIRES AND HURRICANES IS NOT TO HIS LIKING AND BETWEEN SUNRISE AND LATE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, FEW GERMAN PLANES HAD BEEN SEEN AND NO BOMBS WERE DROPPED.

#### NAZI MILITARY POST NEAR PARIS FIRED ON

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A small German military post in the Bois de Boulogne, near Paris, was fired on by unknowns, the "Journal des Debats" reported in Clermont-Ferrand yesterday. The Bois, which is the most popular Paris promenade, is closed to French civilians and even French police.—Havas.

#### MORE PARACHUTES DROPPED

Several more parachutes were distributed over parts of the Midlands on Friday night but again there was nothing to suggest that anyone descended with them.

A group of them came down in an area of a small town and here a policeman spotted one as it was falling.

Another was found hanging from some telegraph cable in such a position that nobody could possibly have been wearing it and a third lodged on top of a slaughter house.

In another district parachutes alighted in the ground of an ecclesiastical dignitary with the buckles of their harness still fastened, and on a military parade ground.

In the last mentioned place two were seen falling by a sergeant.—British Wireless.

#### Night-Dresses!

In north-west England the parachutes created a good humored excitement. A woman said they make nice cheap silk night-dresses at the expense of Hitler. Between 10 and 20 were found in rural areas; they were first observed floating upwards from the sea and were fired upon by the Home Guard.—Reuter.

#### BLOCKADE OF THE CHINA COAST

"In order to tighten the blockade along the South China Coast the Japanese naval forces have completely occupied Hsichuan, off of a pair of islands off the delta of the West River," said a Japanese naval despatch quoted by the Domei agency yesterday.—Reuter.

Two German planes which did fly over a south-east coast town maintained a great height and speedily turned about.

Explanation may possibly be found in the latest official figures of Germany's air losses, an Air Ministry communique stating that the final total of German planes destroyed in the attacks of Thursday, is 180 planes for certain.

The total shot down during Friday's attacks was 75. The enemy employed much smaller forces than on Thursday but the proportion of casualties he suffered was equally high.

On Friday, British losses were 22 aircraft, but fourteen of the pilots are safe.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT'S RAIDS

AN AIR MINISTRY and Ministry of Home Security communique states that on several occasions on Friday evening waves of enemy aircraft crossed our coasts but most of them scattered over a wide area and dropped bombs at many points in country districts in Herts, Essex, Surrey, Hants and Oxfordshire.

Little damage was done; some people were injured but reports received hitherto indicate the number of killed was small.

Casualties included some deaths in aeroplanes since the massed raids began on August 8 now stand at 538. In the same period 130 British planes have been lost but 44 of the R.A.F. pilots have been saved.—British Wireless.

#### One For Home And One For Abroad

In describing Friday's raids, German home broadcasts omitted all mention of attacks on London. They referred to Croydon which, however, was described as being 20 miles from the capital—actually it is 10 miles from Charing Cross.

German broadcasts for abroad, by contrast gleefully over the fact that German planes had attacked London last night.

"No power in the world can stop us from dropping our bombs wherever we wish even if necessary on the city."

It is surmised in London that the taboo in home broadcasts was ordained in order to soothe nerves in Berlin where the population's fear of retaliation seems to be causing concern to the German authorities.—British Wireless.

#### Deliberate Attack On Eastbourne

A deliberate attack by Nazi bombers on the residential town of Eastbourne, on the south coast, is revealed by the Air Ministry. Several lives were lost.

This is the first time a Nazi raid has been officially described as a deliberate attack.—Reuter.

Havas adds that the raid on Eastbourne was carried out by nine planes which broke away from a formation of 150 and dropped scores of bombs. Four of the nine raiders were downed.

#### 538 In A Week

The air battle of Britain continues but with diminished intensity. Bombs were dropped during the night in south-east and south-west districts of England and early yesterday a raid in Wales was reported.

With the destruction on Friday of 71 German raiders enemy losses

#### DID NOT LIVE TO TELL THE TALE

It was announced in London yesterday that not one of the raiders which bombed Croydon on Thursday got home.—Reuter.

#### MASS RAIDS ON LONDON THREATENED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") London may expect more and heavier raids, a German spokesman told neutral correspondents in Berlin yesterday.

Asked if London was not an open city, the spokesman said what the Nazis had done so far was "only a mosquito bite" to what they were going to do. The spokesman claimed the R.A.F. had bombed open cities in Germany (a claim which has been disproved often enough) and added "We are therefore under no obligation."—Havas.

#### MOLOTOV COCKTAILS IN BRITAIN

The Home Guard in Britain has now been armed with "Molotov cocktails" for use against enemy armoured vehicles and tanks.

The "Molotov cocktail" was a product of the Spanish Civil War and was also used in Finland, where it effectively stopped Russian tanks. It has now been officially adopted by the British War Office.

At a recent demonstration in England a tank was reduced to flaming ruins by Home Guards armed with the weapon which is considered more effective than the hand grenade against tanks.—Reuter.

#### DIED OF GREAT WAR WOUNDS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") LEONARD EATON, FORMER MEMBER OF THE SHANGHAI STAFF OF JARDINE'S HAS DIED IN SHANGHAI, AS THE RESULT OF SHOCK AND INJURIES WHICH WOUNDED HIM IN THE GREAT WAR.

A few days ago a major operation was performed but the patient could not survive it.

He suffered some violent headaches but only lately was it discovered that shell splinters still remained in his head.—Havas.

#### SWISS COMPLAIN

The Swiss telegraphic agency said yesterday that more foreign planes flew over Swiss territory during Friday night.—Reuter.



Men of the B.E.F. who took part in the terrific battle of Flanders and were successfully evacuated from Dunkirk are rapidly recovering from their injuries. Photo shows Oliver Monser, with his wife and child, enjoying the sunshine. (Copyright, Air Mail.)

#### Ack Ack Guns Do Their Share

British anti-aircraft gunners have shot down since last Sunday 57 bombers and fighters, states the Air Ministry news service.

Nearly half this number were claimed on Thursday, the exact number on that day being 22. Gunners have fought enemy attacks day after day along the coasts from Newcastle to Plymouth.

Their barrages of fire caused a dozen raiders to turn back for every one they destroyed.—Reuter.

#### Dover Success

On Thursday, anti-aircraft gunners at Dover brought down nine enemy aircraft, and the Tyne gunners were the next best shots with six. Heavy and medium guns and Lewis guns all claimed victims. The crews of big 4.5 guns watched their shells marking the sky with white puffs around almost invisible bombers and fighters and saw German aircraft floating down to them by parachute afterwards.

Quick-firing Bofor guns caught Junkers dive-bombers on their downward swoop and made them and their dives in flames.—Reuter.

#### GERMAN BOMBAST

The official German spokesman in Berlin announced yesterday afternoon the "complete blockade of the British Isles."

Britain, it was announced, had broken all international rules of sea warfare and Germany would therefore use all means at her disposal to enforce the blockade. There is some speculation in London as to how she is to do this—her navy is hard of combat, her air attacks on shipping have failed and German troops are still as far off as ever from England.—Reuter.

#### JAPANESE COAL CONCESSIONS

The question of Japanese owned oil and coal concessions in North Saghalien was discussed in Tokyo yesterday afternoon by Mr. Haruhiko Nishi, director of the European and Asiatic Affairs Bureau of the Foreign Office, and Mr. Dmitri Jukov, Counselor to the Soviet Embassy, states a semi-official Japanese report. The conversation lasted two hours.—Reuter.

## MEDITERRANEAN BATTLESHIPS GO INTO LIBYA ACTION

HEAVY UNITS OF THE BRITISH MEDITERRANEAN FLEET, INCLUDING CAPITAL SHIPS AND CRUISERS, WENT INTO ACTION AGAINST THE ITALIANS YESTERDAY WHEN THEY CARRIED OUT A SEVERE BOMBARDMENT OF NAVAL AND MILITARY BASES ON THE COAST OF THE ITALIAN COLONY OF LIBYA.

News of the action is contained in a brief Admiralty announcement issued in London late last evening, which said that a British naval force under the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, consisting of battleships and cruisers, bombarded the Libyan coast.

### R.A.F. LENDS HAND IN LIBYA BOMBARDMENTS

A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED in Cairo yesterday stated that Tobruk harbour, in Libya, was again raided by R.A.F. aircraft.

Direct hits were registered on a naval oil tank and submarine and naval jetties. Many hours later there was still evidence of fires caused by our bombers.

Our aircraft continued to harass enemy troop movements. In British Somaliland our bombers attacked Zella, an island nearby and Adaleh, concentrating on military targets and troop concentrations.

Repeated reconnaissances were made over main roads in Somaliland.

Italian bombers tried to raid Berbera but were intercepted by aircraft operated by a French crew who succeeded in shooting down one enemy bomber and driving off the others.

This is the first instance of active participation by French crews with the R.A.F. in this theatre of war. Their valuable experience in aerial combats is now being successfully used and the operations over Berbera have shown the French superiority over the Italians.—Reuter.

Abandonment of the British guarantee by Greece and the granting of access to the Aegean Sea to Bulgaria, are the principal conditions Italy demands for the readjustment of relations between Rome and Athens.

The "Tribune de Geneve" which published this information under a Berlin dateline yesterday, added that according to well-informed sources other Italian claims on Greece include the modification of the Albanian-Greek frontier with a substantial gain in territory for Albania.—Havas.

#### TERRORIST ATTACK IN SHANGHAI

ANOTHER OF THE PERSONS ON THE HANKING REGIME'S BLACK-LIST WAS THE VICTIM OF AN ATTACK BY TERRORISTS IN SHANGHAI YESTERDAY.

HE WAS KUO JEL-CHUNG, CHIEF REPORTER OF THE "SIN WAN PAO," WHO WAS WOUNDED BY GUNMEN IN THE FRENCH CONCESSION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.—REUTER.

#### CHINKS IN AXIS ARMOUR

The "Boston Herald" reminded its readers yesterday that not only is there a Battle of Britain but a Battle of Germany and a Battle of Italy as well.

Hitler and Mussolini, the newspaper says, have many vulnerable spots in their armour.—Reuter.

#### TURKEY AND THE GREEK CRISIS

An Istanbul message says that the Turkish Minister has seen the Greek Minister to Turkey and had a conference with his army and navy chiefs.—Reuter.

Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm acted as spotters for the naval gunners and reported many salvos as securing direct hits on the objectives.

During the bombardment the British squadron was subjected to a heavy attack by Italian bombers; no damage or casualties were inflicted on the British ships.

At least one enemy bomber was shot down by our fighters.—Reuter.

#### NEUTRAL EVIDENCE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

H. R. Knickerbocker, the famous American journalist, cabling from London yesterday, says Nazi claims of damage in London exist only in the imagination.

Britons, he says, are leaving for the holidays in their usual good humour, and he heard much laughter at railway stations over the incredibly fantastic German claims, which are published in full in the British press.

There was no panic in London during Friday's raids; people even closed the rules in an attempt to see the planes by staying out of doors.—Reuter.

#### DUKE OF WINDSOR SWORN IN

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor arrived at Nassau yesterday. The Duke took the oath as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Bahamas.—Reuter.

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# LARGE SCALE RAID NEAR LEIPZIG

Lleuna Hydrogenation Plant Given Strafing

## Bombers Meet Intense Opposition

DETAILS WERE ISSUED by the Air Ministry yesterday of a large-scale R.A.F. raid on a large German hydrogenation plant at Lleuna, near Leipzig: one of the largest plants in Germany, it normally produces 400,000 tons a year.

It was the first time the plant had been bombed and our bombers were met with intense heavy and light anti-aircraft fire, pom-poms and machine-guns, working in co-operation with searchlights.

In spite of the ground fire, methodical attacks were carried out and tanks were left ablaze after hundreds of bombs had been dropped.

There was a long chain of fire on the ground from which the bombers were met with intense heavy and light anti-aircraft fire, pom-poms and machine-guns, working in co-operation with searchlights.

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In two instances our planes took care to identify the target



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before bombing. One pilot reported he failed to identify the target after cruising about for an hour. Or the way back he was fired on by an A.A. battery and reduced its fire with his bombs.

Another pilot also failed to find the target and brought his bombs back to Britain.—Reuter

In addition to bombing Lleuna on Friday night, R.A.F. bombers attacked oil tanks at Bremen, aircraft stores, an assembly plant, an air factory, military objectives in the Ruhr, and aerodromes in Germany and occupied territory.

Three of our aircraft failed to return.—Reuter.

## SPANISH DISCLAIMER

The Spanish Government has refuted a charge in the Spanish newspaper "Arriba" stating that Britain was holding up deliveries of wheat and oil to Spain and also an insinuation that British agents were responsible for a fire at the Alicante oil depot.

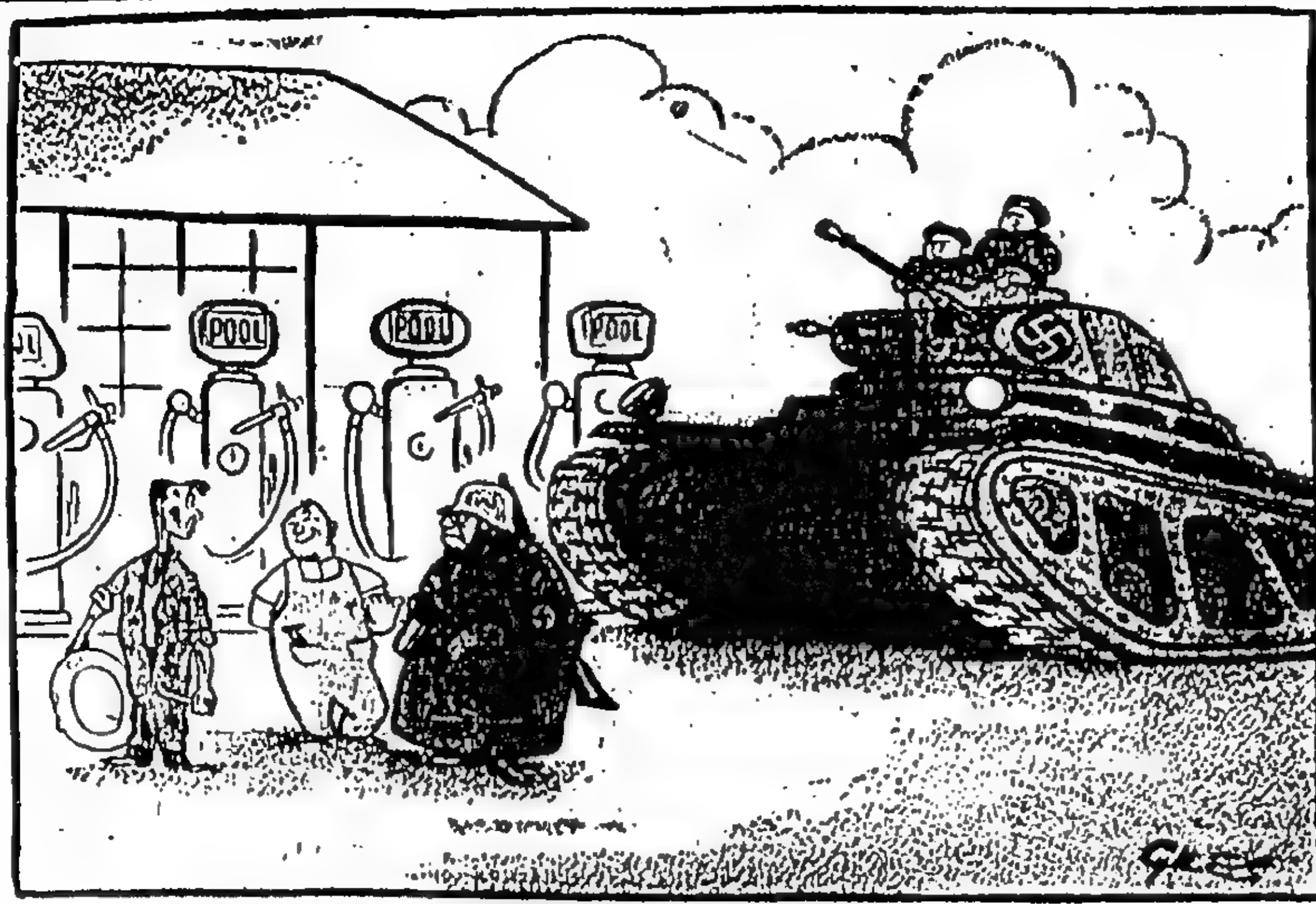
The Spanish Government's disclaimer was given to the British Ambassador by the Spanish Foreign Minister in reply to British representations.

The disclaimer states that the Spanish Government has not accused and does not accuse the British Government of any part in or knowledge of the attempt against the Alicante oil dump.

As to wheat, the position is that during the time of greatest scarcity between April and July, the British Government by special arrangements facilitated the speedy arrival of 34 ships carrying wheat.—Reuter.

## FRENCH SEAMEN BOUND FOR HOME

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Two hundred and eighty French seamen belonging to the crews of the French trans-Atlantic liners "Festoy" and "St. Mado," which were in Canadian waters at the signing of the armistice, arrived in New York yesterday. They will be repatriated via Portugal.—Havas.



## DELAYED ACTION BOMBS IN LONDON

People living in the south-west London suburb which was raided on Friday dashed for air raid shelters early yesterday morning under the impression raiders were about again.

Explosions they heard were those of delayed action bombs which had been dropped some hours before.—Reuter.

## MALAYAN OFFICER SECONDED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") AN OFFICIAL IN THE MALAYAN CIVIL SERVICE, MR. C. M. MIDDLEBROOK, HAS ARRIVED IN THE COLONY TO ASSIST THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT IN STUDYING IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS. THE "SUNDAY HERALD" LEARNED YESTERDAY.

Mr. Middlebrook has been attached to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

It is understood that he was sent to Hong Kong at the request of the Government. The report of the Committee which was appointed by Government to study means for reducing the population in the Colony has been completed but, it is learned that it has not yet been decided whether to release it for publication or not.

Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary, stated yesterday that the matter was still under consideration.

## DOMEI IMPRESSED BY BRITISH PHLEGM IN RAIDS

APART FROM THE damage which they hope to cause, the Nazis are also hoping that their air raids will shatter the morale of the British people. Reports from neutral correspondents in London show that they have succeeded in neither.

For instance, the correspondent of Domei, the Japanese news agency, pays special tribute to the "matter of fact way" in which Londoners took the raid on Croydon aerodrome on Thursday.

In a despatch to Tokyo, he said that when the air raid sirens went off, people formed lines in an orderly manner as they went into the dugouts and air raid shelters.

Other neutral correspondents say the same thing.

The Philadelphia radio yesterday morning, discussing the Croydon raid, said that American correspondents in London saw nothing of the "planes which the Germans said flew across the heart of the city."

Even in France, enough is coming through despite the censorship to raise hopes, while in certain areas the people have seen for themselves the effects of R.A.F. raids on German positions.

Indeed, an extreme French Fascist found it necessary to write a long article in "L'Oeuvre" to the effect that it was a crime to believe in a British victory. He attacked those who were still friendly to Britain and who still firmly believe in a British victory.—Reuter.

## NO SECRET OF BRITISH WISHES

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") In connection with Britain's willingness to discuss leasing islands in the Western Hemisphere to the United States for naval and air bases, it is emphasised in London that any such arrangements must be dissociated from the British desire to purchase 50 over-age American destroyers to improve and expand coastal defences.

Official circles in London make no secret of the fact that Britain is anxious to get these destroyers and is prepared to make "unusual concessions" to get them.—Havas.

## THEFT OF ARMY WIRE PICKETS

Convicted of receiving military property, Lai Liu, 31, Lai Nui, 38, and Lai Kul, 34, were remanded for fingerprint by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon yesterday.

Accused were found in possession of baskets containing pickets belonging to the Military Authorities in the Kowloon City district on Friday. They claimed they had bought them from a man on the hillside at Mataukok.

## THIEF'S ATTACK ON STAIRCASE

A married woman was attacked by three men while climbing the staircase to her residence on the second floor of No. 1, Fuk Wah Street, Shamshuipo, at 8.45 a.m. yesterday.

They threatened her with a dagger, took off her wrist-watch, and ran away.

One of the alleged attackers had

# Britain Well Pleased With First Week of Blitzkrieg

Foretaste Of Grimmer Ordeals Ahead

## NATION STEADY OF NERVE: LIGHT OF HEART

THE FIRST WEEK OF THE BLITZKRIEG LEAVES THE NATION STEADY OF NERVE AND WONDERFULLY LIGHT OF HEART, DECLARED THE "DAILY HERALD" YESTERDAY.

The newspaper added: We await its successors, rejoicing in our unity and proudly conscious of our rising strength.

We realise that the opening week of the blitzkrieg has probably been but a foretaste of far greater and grimmer ordeals. Through the worst of them our resolve will not falter.

We shall work swiftly, calmly and efficiently to destroy Nazism. We shall not relax until the last trace of Hitler's hideous rule has been swept into history.

There is another arm of warfare besides the Government, the Forces and the workers in whose vigorous health we take pride. That is our Parliament.

In the first week of the blitzkrieg it has done its work magnificently—guiding, criticising and encouraging the Government and safeguarding the rights of the people.

As the Ark of the Covenant was to the Hebrews so is Parliament at work in our midst a symbol of all we are fighting for.

## Well Satisfied

The "Daily Express" political correspondent says the defence authorities are completely satisfied with this week's air fighting.

They are now convinced Hitler has lost round one of the Battle of Britain.

But it is only round one. So far as we are concerned it is a 20-round contest and we shall need to be on our toes all the time.

The correspondent says he understands that British official figures of Nazi losses are very much below those which have been ascertained with virtual certainty.

The real figures are so large that the authorities hesitate to publish them lest they should look "exaggerated."

In any event the R.A.F. prefers to over-estimate rather than under-estimate the remaining strength of its opponents.—Reuter.

## Six To One

Reviewing the results of raids since August 8, "The Times" notes that the proportion of losses in pilots is about six German to one British, and in machines over four German to one British.

Thursday's results, when British losses were thirty-four machines, of which the pilots of 17 were saved was considerably more favourable than average.

"The Germans cannot stand the truth as portrayed by these figures. In their account of Thursday's fighting they appear not for the first time to have waited for the British statement and then roughly transposed the totals."

For they give British casualties as 143—within one of the figure of German losses published in a preliminary British account—and their own as 32, or two less than the total of our losses.

**Technique Differs**  
The technique of German reports on days immediately previous seems to have been slightly different but their figures have been equally fantastic.

Possibly the German public, possibly even Hitler himself, may believe them. But the German Air Staff cannot, German pilots do not and neutral witnesses in the American press will not believe them.

As for the British public they have ocular evidence both that German reports are false and that military damage done in these raids is on such a small scale that it could not be adequate compensation for a tithe of the losses sustained.—British Wire-

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## BISHOP COOPER SET AT LIBERTY

It is now learned in London that the Right Rev. Cecil Cooper, Anglican Bishop of Korea, and Dr. Sherward Hall, of the same Mission, who were arrested on August 12 and 13, have both been released.

Bishop Cooper was set at liberty on August 15 and Dr. Hall was released almost immediately after his apprehension.—British Wire-

## ADDITIONS TO TATE GALLERY

WORKS BY CONTEMPORARY BRITISH ARTISTS ARE INCLUDED IN RECENT IMPORTANT ADDITIONS TO THE TATE GALLERY COLLECTION.

During the past two months the modern foreign collection has also been enriched by the late Montague Shearman.

An interesting purchase made by the trustees consists of two paintings, two drawings and water-colours by the late Owen John, sister of Augustus John. This purchase is regarded as especially appropriate as it completes the representation of this greatly talented artist in the National Collection.—British Wire-

## VON PAPEN TRIES SOME MORE

Fritz von Papen, Nazi Ambassador to Turkey, had interviews on Friday with the Turkish President and Foreign Minister. The former lasted for half an hour, the latter for an hour.

The Turkish Minister to Moscow has arrived in Istanbul on his way to Ankara.—Reuter.



The Wing Commander, on right, who personally accounted for three enemy aircraft in a recent action, seen with a Squadron Leader who also took part in the clash. (Copyright, Air Mail.)

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## GREEK CONVOY ATTACKED BY BOMBERS

Twenty-four bombs, eye-witnesses declare, were dropped on a convoy bringing sailors wounded in the torpedoing of the Greek cruiser Helle from Tinos to Piraeus, according to a message from the Greek frontier.

It is declared six bombs fell near the Greek steamer Frin-ton when attacked off Crete.—Reuter.

## AIR MAIL SERVICE SPEED-UP

Imperial Airways' new schedule will actually start a week earlier than was anticipated, the local offices of the company informed the "Sunday Herald" yesterday. Under this schedule, two air services a week will be run between this Colony and Australia instead of only one.

The first service from Hong Kong carrying mails for both east and westbound flying boats will leave on Wednesday next, August 21, instead of on August 28. The first inward service on the new schedule is due to arrive in the Colony on Tuesday, August 27.

Under the new service, Imperial Airways' planes will leave Hong Kong on Wednesdays and Sundays and will arrive here from Australia on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Made possible by the operation of two flying boat services a week between Sydney and Durban instead of the present single flight, the new service will handle air mail to Malaya, Netherlands East Indies, India, Egypt and Central and South Africa, and mail can be forwarded to the United Kingdom by boat via South Africa.

There are at present three air-mail service routes to Britain—Imperial Airways, via Durban (\$1.15 a half-ounce); Pan-American and trans-Atlantic plane (\$5) and Pan-American across the Pacific and sea across the Atlantic (\$3.50 a half-ounce, plus 15 cents an ounce).

# ITALIAN ATTACK ON TWO GREEK DESTROYERS 'Positively Identified' By Officers In Warships

## Rome Adopts Nazi Model In Denials

TWO SEPARATE NEWS agencies carry reports from Athens stating that two Greek destroyers were bombed from the air while on their way to the island of Tinos, off which the Greek cruiser Helle was torpedoed and sunk while attending a religious festival.

One message quotes a high authority in Athens as saying that the attacks were carried out by Italian bombers. This statement says that the officers commanding the destroyers absolutely identified the planes which attacked them on Friday morning.

The two destroyers were only slightly damaged. The British Government has sent a message of sympathy to the Greek Government on the loss of the Helle.

The Greek press, while it brands the attackers, makes no attempt to guess their identity. The American press, on the other hand, pins the blame firmly on Italy.—Reuter.

### Strong Comment

The sinking of the Greek cruiser Helle on the way off the island of Tinos, taking part in a religious festival, has drawn pointed comment from the press of three countries.

In the United States, one of the strongest comes from the "New York Times," which says that as the leader of a Christian country, Mussolini shows a strange preference for Christian holidays. He carried out his assault on Albania on Good Friday.

"The aggression against Greece—there can be no other word for the sinking of the Helle—look place at Tinos where people from all parts of the country assemble for a religious festival," the paper comments.

The Turkish press denounces the Italian press campaign against Greece, pointing out that the Italians forget that the British fleet is fully active in the Mediterranean and is seeking an early engagement with the Italian Navy. In Egypt, the press points out that Egypt is interested in this quarrel between Italy and Greece. Tribute is paid to the firm attitude of Greece in the face of Italian threats.—Reuter.

### Rome Denials

Rome is following the German model in denying that any Italian submarine were near Tinos when the Helle was sunk.



The Secretary of State, Mr. Anthony Eden, taken during an extensive tour of Britain's defences and fortified areas. (Copyright, Air Mail.)

## CHUNGKING SCOFFS AT PARACHUTIST DANGERS

REPORTS OF A POSSIBLE Japanese attempt to land parachutists in Chungking, or to cross the Yellow River for a westward drive, were ridiculed by the Chinese military spokesman in Chungking yesterday.

The effectiveness of parachutists, he said, depended on the immediate arrival of land reinforcements, otherwise it would be a worthless sacrifice.

Referring to the possibility of the Japanese crossing the Yellow River, the spokesman said the Japanese were occasionally sending out raiding parties in southern Shensi but the main forces were still in fortified positions which were subjected to constant attacks by mobile units.

Commenting on Japanese operations in the Lungchow area in southern Kwangsi, the officer said the Japanese recently launched an attack westward in the direction of Halung and Shikouwan, near the Indo-China border, but these attacks were repulsed.

The area west of Lungchow at present was cleared of Japanese troops, he added, and claimed the Chinese had recaptured Shantung, east of Lungchow.

## SOCONY TRUCK IN ACCIDENT

A GASOLINE TRUCK NO. 1419 BELONGING TO THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY, WAS SEEN LYING ON THE PAVEMENT IN KING'S ROAD, NEAR THE NORTH POINT HOUSE, IN A DAMAGED CONDITION YESTERDAY.

The front of the truck was badly smashed against an electric cable standard, while the rear of the vehicle was sticking into the hillside.

It was learned that the driver of the truck, Leung Wo, was driving in King's Road from north to east about 2.50 p.m. yesterday, when suddenly a Chinese boy ran across the road.

To avoid a collision the driver stopped the car immediately. It skidded and collided with the lamp standard and became pinned between the standard and the hillside.

The driver was treated at Queen Mary Hospital for minor abrasions, but was not detained.

## COST OF LIVING RISING

The Minister of Labour announces that on August 1 the official cost of living was 85 points higher than in July, 1914, as compared with 87 points on July 1.

The food index figures dropped four points since July 1, owing to a sharp fall in the price of new potatoes, which were at an exceptionally high level in July.—Reuter.

## I.L.O. GOING TO MONTREAL

The International Labour Office yesterday accepted an invitation to transfer to Montreal "for the duration."

Princeton University, in the United States, is giving a home to the League itself.—Reuter.

## MOVE TO REQUISITION MOTORCYCLES

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") ALL LICENCES OF MOTORCYCLES NOT ATTACHED TO ANY GOVERNMENT OR ESSENTIAL SERVICES HAVE BEEN ORDERED BY GOVERNMENT TO BRING THEIR MACHINES TO THE CENTRAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS OR THE TSMISHATSUI POLICE STATION BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 12 NOON TO-DAY.

The orders were issued during the week under the Defence Regulations by the Controller of Transport, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue.

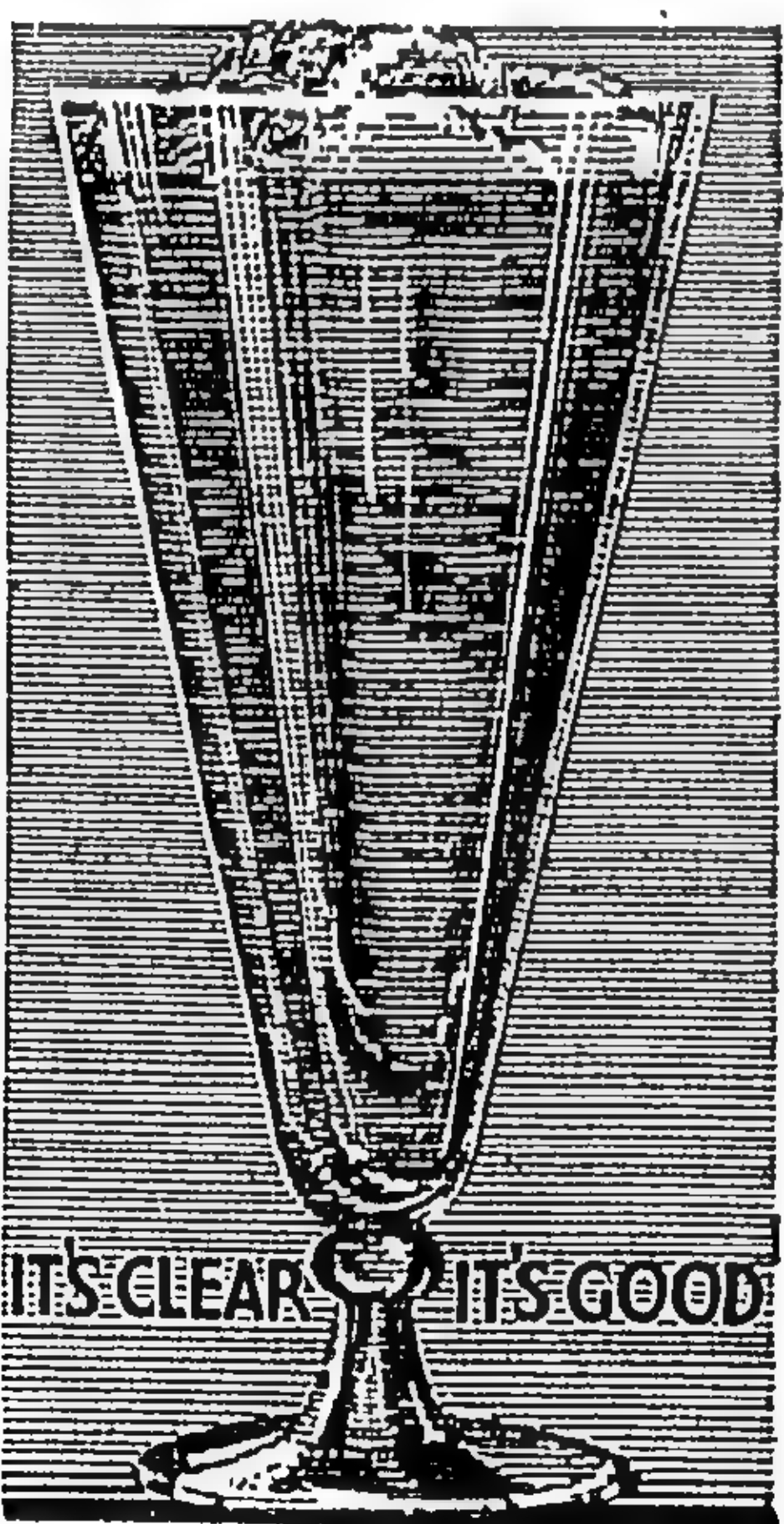
It is understood that in the event of an emergency Government will requisition all motorcycles in the Colony.

## DEATH OF SISTER VINCENT

The death has occurred suddenly but quietly at the French Convent Hospital of the beloved Sister Vincent, of the French Convent, at the age of 81 years.

Sister Vincent arrived in the Colony from France 63 years ago, and since then she has devoted herself intensely and enthusiastically to the work of the Convent, particularly among the poor. She was very active almost up to the last.

She died quietly yesterday morning, and her death will be mourned by many. It is understood that she leaves some relatives in France.—Reuter.



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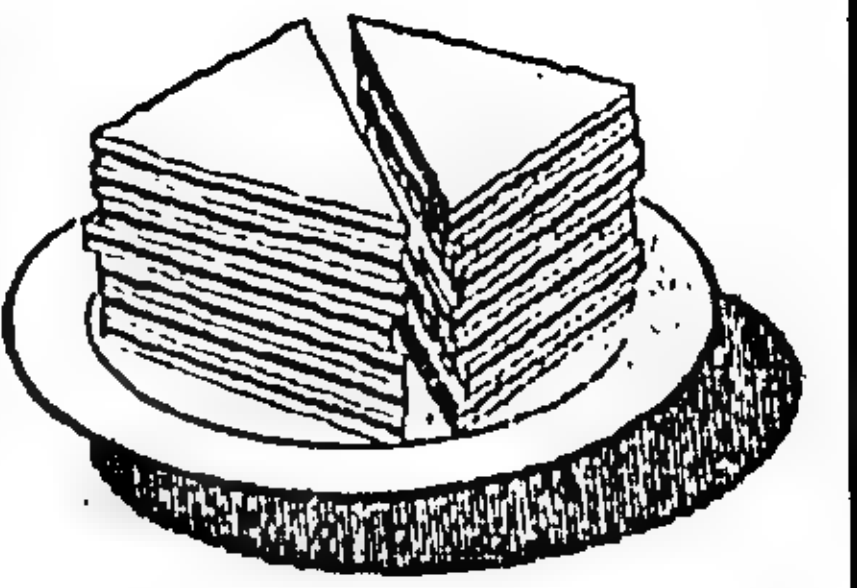
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Vienna No Longer The Mecca For Widows  
Women Under Nazi Rule

A Chinese woman student who recently returned from Germany where she had been studying for eight years was asked what she thought of the German women. She had lived with German families all those years so her opinion was based on real knowledge. Her answer was that they were very good housewives, very economical, most efficient, very orderly, but that outside the home they exerted no influence whatever. They lacked the grace and charm, and feminine touch found in other countries, as they were not in a position to express their individual taste in dress. They were outside the home quite colourless and inside the home like Martha they were occupied with domestic interests. She added that without any racial prejudice she would much rather be Chinese.

I remember staying at a boarding house in Göttingen which was run by one elderly German lady, somewhat deaf, but the exact counterpart in the home of a Prussian officer, in his platoon, as far as discipline was concerned. At the exact time appointed for meals, there she sat at the head of the table, with a dignity and authority that expressed itself in every movement. In her speech and in her eyes, a bench outside the door was the duty of the two servants who waited like orderlies until they heard the tinkle of the bell, which meant that the exact minute for service of the meals had arrived and that the guests were all assembled. Everything went according to plan, and everyone was expected to conform to it. Nothing escaped the watchful of this monument of efficiency.

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There was not a speck of dust on the furniture and no window was allowed to be open lest a morsel might get in, not a brass tap that was not shining in mirror-like splendour, not an antimacassar out of place. Everything was trim, neat and arranged with Prussian precision. There was no let-up neither for the woman herself nor for her servants. Life was lived at a tension and at attention. It was splendid but rather inhuman, and yet one felt it was but a sample of the rigid discipline in every household in the country. The Germans are determined above everything else to obey rules, and it is in the home, where the youth of the country acquires that habit of obedience.

The mother of the house therefore, in German eyes, exerts a profound influence on the life of the nation. It is for that reason that the Nazis have paid considerable attention to the women and to the home. The general policy of the National Socialist party has been to drive the women out of business and industry back to the home.

Let us see what the Fuehrer, Adolf Hitler, has to say about his women folk:

"In the education of women emphasis must be laid on physical development. Only afterwards must consideration be given to spiritual values and lastly to mental development. Motherhood is undeniably the most feminine education."

Then the Nazi women's order of the Red Swastika has said: "There is no higher or finer privilege for a woman than that of sending her sons to war."

"Woman," says Goebbels, "her place is in the home, her duty the recreation of the tired warrior."

Again Rosenberg, an accepted authority in Germany on racial questions, says: "The future German Reich will never accept women without children, it does not matter whether she is married or not—as a full member of the community."

Now we see here a definite decline in the ideal which the Kaiser Wilhelm II laid down for German women. He said that the chief interests should be in the church, in the kitchen and in children. Now the Nazi has eliminated the first element, since the spiritual note would break jarfully upon the sentiments which the Nazi leaders, we have quoted, have expressed.

## For The "Perfect Life"

The status of the German women has definitely declined under the Nazi rule. The German women may be, of course, satisfied to sacrifice their status in the interests of the Fuehrer's policy, but that does not alter the fact that the German woman of today is guided by inferior ideals to those which obtained before. In the eyes of those women in England and America even in the Kaiser's time the German women were the despair of their democratic sisters. They must regard the situation in Germany now as beyond redemption. It was Lin Yu-tang who said, or quoted someone else as saying, that from a European point of view, for a perfect life a woman ought to be born in France, educated in England, married in America and live the remainder of her life as a widow in Vienna. The assumption that the American husband will die before his wife, drop their knees knock and excessive devotion and love her well-to-do is a neat point.

Germany in any case is not mentioned in this connection, for though the German does not earn his bread by the sweat of his brow, he obviously keeps her nose to the domestic grindstone and in

the new scheme he is more likely to be a widower than she a widow. Vienna, however, is no longer the Mecca for widows. Germany is a fatherland, that is a land of fathers since the Nazi came into power, for promotion is not given to the young man over twenty-six who is not married. He cannot plead poverty for the state takes away that excuse by providing a sum of four thousand marks to start married life, for those of course who satisfy the Nordic racial test, when the fourth child is born the debt is wiped out. These measures have undoubtedly won the women over to Hitler's side, since in gratifying the strongest of their instincts, he has also told them they are serving the highest interests of the State.

Moreover he has eliminated the woman's influence such as it was from politics which are the special sphere of men today.

One cannot help feeling this complete absence of feminine influence in German social life, nor can one help contrasting it with the position in other countries.

## By "CIVIS"

There are no Madame Curies, no Mrs. Pankhursts or Lady Astors, no Madame Chiangs, and there never was an empress of Germany, for the law could never allow such a thing. Even the idea of Germany being ruled by a woman is unthinkable. Of course, it would be wholesome experience for the country if it were.

But blood and iron, blitzkriegs, and stern military discipline, efficiency, and machine-like routine—the nightmare which Samuel Butler conjured up of the machine controlling the man. That is Germany and there is nothing feminine in that.

While the majority of German women have accepted the new system, and are not aware of the narrow limits within which they move, there are, or were, some who realised that a wider horizon was desirable.

In Bremen for example in 1938, one German lady begged me to make arrangements for her daughter to get into an English family, where she would help in the domestic work in return for her board and lodging and the opportunity of studying English literature. She had sufficient means to

send her daughter in the ordinary way to England, but the Nazi Government saw to it that this could not be done. Not more than ten marks a month could be sent out of the country for her daughter—a sum hardly sufficient to buy stamps with, as she said. This request was quite a common one throughout Germany before the war among the more intelligent German mothers who realised that a mind nurtured exclusively on German news, German radio talks, and knowledge acquired in the German Girls Clubs or in the Frauenschaft was not likely to enlarge the outlook. Women like these looked longingly across the borders for that liberal education, which was no longer possible in Germany.

## Social Advance

One cannot help contrasting the lot of German women with that which prevails in democratic countries. In Britain, for example, in the political sphere women have the vote and the right to sit in parliament, and though very few succeed in getting there the fact that they can do so, adds to the dignity of women in general. Women like Lady Astor, Margaret Bondfield, and Ellen Wilkinson to mention only a few of the women members of parliament, have kept a watchful eye on legislation that affects women's interests and especially emphasised the importance of social legislation.

It is not too much to say that the great improvement in social conditions in Britain during the past twenty-five years has been stimulated by the political power which women wield in the boroughs and county councils too where domestic questions loom large the presence of women in the committees has humanised the bye-laws and their application and thereby enriched the life of the community.

The position of women in Germany was always inferior from the point of view of liberty to that of women in other countries, but under the Nazi regime this inferiority has been still further stressed. How could it be otherwise for Hitler has not only vulgarised his people but also brutalised them.

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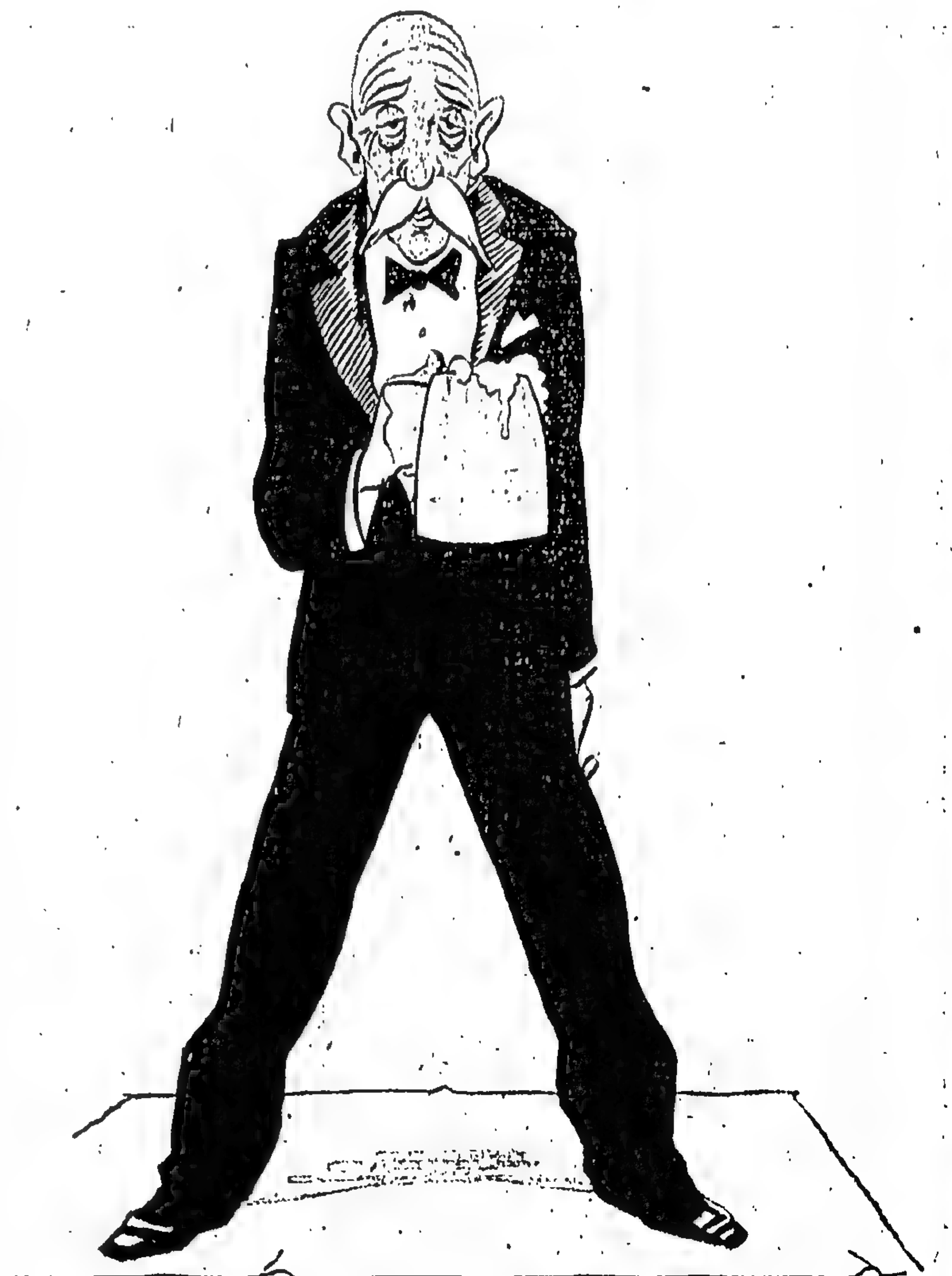


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We hasten to assure our correspondents that the "tail-piece" here referred to is that of the anti-air helmet, not of the baby. Offspring of humans is no longer born with a rudimentary appendage, not even in war time, when, to all appearances, the habits of the species are under-going an atavistic change.

The Director of the Department for the Maintenance of the National Morale (Mr. Yaffle) has noted the discussions concerning the Order in Council for the punishment of alarmists.

In his opinion, it is impossible to decide what actually is "a statement likely to cause alarm or despondency," since the effect of any statement must vary according to the hearer's taste, temperament, or state of health or digestion. To choose an example at random:

We learn that the police are looking for persons believed to be spreading the rumour that if Germany wins Hitler will abolish swing, make swinging a capital offence, and introduce compulsory attendance at Wagner operas.

The Director of the Department for the Maintenance of the National Morale is by no means convinced that this statement can justly be called defamatory. He suggests that it may, on the contrary, have a stimulating effect on the British fighting spirit.

There are, he admits, many people whom the prospect of having

to sit for hours and listen to music of other than swamp origin strikes with paralysing terror. Their jaws drop, their knees knock. "My God—not that!" they whisper, while their gas-masks fall from their nerveless fingers.

Already, it is said, Tribunals are putting the question to conscientious objectors—"What would you do if the Germans tried to make your mother sit through the Gottsdammerung?"

On the other hand, there are those who, fashioned of sterner stuff, have resolved to sell their lives dearly rather than submit to such an infliction. Since defeat means torture, they even they will never be taken alive. Others, too, regarding life without swamp noises as purposeless, flat and unprofitable, prefer death to defeat, and will give their last drop of blood in defence of the orchestra's stentorian notes which to them constitute the final flower of democratic civilisation.

As against these one must admit that there are people in this country to whom the prospect of

## By YAFFLE

regular German music, and of life free from dance-bands, puts an unbearable strain upon their patriotism, and it is despondently rumoured that the ranks of the Fifth Column have been considerably swelled by these reports.

It is clear from the discussions, really that of defining an alarmist, however, that the question is not statement, but of deciding who shall do the alarming.

As things stand, the Government daily permits the broadcasting of information which, if drawn from the imagination of a private citizen, would cause him to be peremptorily juggled.

Indeed, it must be confessed that many statements which have been condemned as pessimistic

rumours are tidings of great joy compared with certain items of official news.

Are we, therefore, to assume that the psychological effect of a statement varies according to who makes it? May we conclude that a story which causes despondency when offered as a private opinion, uplifts the heart and stiffens the determination when sanctioned by the Ministry of Information?

In the opinion of the Department for the Maintenance of the National Morale, the answer to these questions is a durational affirmative.

In war time, public opinion becomes a State monopoly; private opinion must be confined to the weather, and then only on the understanding that when it rains comment shall be limited to the remark that it is good for the crops.

We may rely upon the public in this matter. Our people have for many years been trained to accept official pronouncements as a guide to their own feelings and a corrective of the evidence of their own senses.

If in the past they have welcomed wage-cuts joyfully on receiving official assurance that it would bring them prosperity, they can be relied upon now to greet each (official) report of a new German advance with the unanimous ejaculation—"Begone, dull care!" or even, if the advance is unusually rapid—"Let joy be unconfined!"

And if we can count on public opinion, surely we can rely even more upon that guide and guardian of Public Confidence, the Stock Exchange.

We may, therefore, rest assured that when it is (officially) announced that the Germans have landed in and—overnight, buying will be brisk and industrialists will display a cautious optimism; rubbers will rally, jute will be buoyant, and tin will close on a cheerful note.





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WE don't know whether it's because of the evacuation or not, but a couple of little incidents last Saturday would seem to indicate that Hong Kong is a very honest town these days. Both incidents, strangely enough, occurred in the tea/coffee/lunch/dinner-stuff lounge of the Hong Kong Hotel. The first one involved our now famous—or infamous, unkind friends—would have it—black-bribe of the type Ralph Richardson carried in that excellent flick, "Clouds Over Europe."

WE'RE always leaving the pesky thing behind somewhere, but generally remember it just as we get to the door. We don't know whether it was the Carlsberg beer or the fair lassie we were talking to on that occasion, but, anyway, we pushed off from the lounge around 1 pip-ann last Sat., and did not remember it until an hour

to a German map then issued, only Dorsetshire and Cornwall were to remain British territory at the end of that war. This inspired some bright wight to describe the following verses, to the traditional tune of "Widdi-comb Fair":—

Jan Bull, Jan Bull, give me thy grey coat,  
All along Channel and up the North Sea,  
For I'm planning to gobble your island on toast—  
Yorkshire Pudding, Norfolk Dumpling,  
Welsh Rabbit, Southdown Mutton,  
Dorset Butter, Kent Hops,  
The Roast Beef of England and all!

And what will be spared to Jan Bull of your greed?  
Cornwall and Devonshire's zidy and cream,

## All Mod. Con.

AN American sailor was accosted the other day by one of the peripatetic unwashed who line the streets of towns from Cairo to Kobe. Death peered from the suffering one's eyes and starvation glistened from his cheekbones as he stretched out his hands and begged for alms. Touched by this spectacle of the Maldistribution of Riches, the glib dipped his hand into his pocket for some "small change."

EMBARRASSED, he withdrew the hand empty, saying: "Sorry, pal, I've only got a ten-buck note on me." Without a pause "How much you give me, master? I change your money," replied the mendicant, whipping out a roll of one-dollar notes. "Heck, go to %%%!! \$2!!, you've got more money than I have," raved the sailor, as he beetled off blackly.

## Heard At Night

AT the Parliam Grill—"She's got the sorta figure that makes insomnia a pleasure!" . . . At a local cabaret—"I wish I knew you when you were alive!" . . . In Bessie's Bar—"I like the idea of being drunk continually—it eliminates the hang-overs!" . . . In the Gloucester tea-lounge—"When she speaks it kisses you behind the ears!" . . . At the Lido: "That guy'd kiss anyone in skirts—except the Royal Scot!" . . . Heard all over town, any time, any place: "Have you heard the one about the evacuee and the, etc." . . . In Garden Road, 1.35 a.m., three lads and a bright young thing in pink, singing: "What shall we do at the Helena May, Helena May, Helena May, What shall we do at the Helena May on a cold and frosty morning!"

## "August 15"

AS was to be expected, the democratic press of the world has made merry over Hitler's failure to live up to his boast that he would march through London on Thursday, August 15. We cannot vouch for the truth of the story, but a friend of ours informs us that a large banquet was



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and a half later. We returned to the scene of the crime, and although the place was still crowded and our particular table had no doubt been used two or three times by different parties since we had been and gone, Mein Kampf was still there, over the back of the chair.

THAT same night, after seeing that very stupid waste of celluloid and talent, "Lady of the Tropics," we popped in again to quaff a little sparkling refreshment. A very pleasant time, filled with badinage and other such, ensued, in the course of which we had occasion to inspect the hotel's plumbing. Barely had we returned to our table than a beefy young man, blushing slightly (or was it sun-tan?) came up to us, mentioned he had been following behind us and asked us if we had dropped some money on the floor? We made a hasty search while he held out four one-dollar notes, but could not, with a clear conscience, lay claim to the money, much as we would have liked to. A young lady in the party thought that she "probably dropped the money," but he merely looked pained and did not think that likely.

## New Version

JOKES by the score about the last War are being revived these days, brought up to date given a modern setting and drawing the same laughs and guffaws that they did 25 years or so ago. We make no apology, therefore, for doing a spot of rejuvenating ourselves with an old poem of early 1915 that we came across recently. According

I cannot spare more, I've too many to feed.  
There's Joachim and Ciano,  
Oswald Mosley, Hermann Goering,  
Heinrich Himmler, Mussolini,  
Sepp-Inquart, Meinself, Gott and all!  
Sepp-Inquart, Meinself, Gott and all!

INCIDENTALLY, it will no doubt be noted that in the fifth line of the first stanza Welsh Rabbit is spelt as pronounced and not, as is usually the case, "rarebit." Lest anyone should think we do not know how to spell this particular word, we wish to categorically state that our spelling is the only correct one, any other variations are, in the words of a recent denial issued in London by the Spanish Embassy, "false, fantastic and entirely devoid of foundation."

YOU see, children (said their mentor, kindly) "rarebit" is a case of false etymology. Some English bright-spark named the popular dish of toasted cheese Welsh Rabbit, and we understand the editors of "Punch" simply howled with glee for a fortnight as a result. People who thought they were clever couldn't see the joke, however, and corrupted the word to "rarebit" without rhyme or reason. But as Fowler—that great arbiter of English as it should be used—points out "Welsh Rabbit is amusing and right, and Welsh Rarebit is stupid and wrong."



The Duchess of Kent shaking hands with the Commandant of the Guard of Honour of nurses at the Derby and Tomb Reg. Cross Fund depot the other day. (Copyright, Fox).

## Outnumbered

AND have you seen "Punch's" Spitfire pilot? Modestly shrinking off the plaudits of his fellows for his feats in the air, he said that, of course, he had really "out-numbered them one to three!"

## Rumour Refuted

WE wish to take this opportunity of issuing a categorical denial of reports that a certain local cleric, his mind apparently still teeming with the dozens of Pro and Con Evacuation letters appearing in the local press of late, concluded an invocation at a service last Sunday with the phrase "God the Father, God the Son and God the Morning Post."

## Parking Pest

THE news that the P.W.D. has opened Magazine Gap Road is good news for a lot of people living around the lower Peak Tram station and vicinity. Peakites, unable to get home by car, have been using the Peak Tram and parking their vehicles in the parking space opposite Volunteer Headquarters, in Garden Road, in Kennedy Road, much to the distress of regular motorists who have been crowded out.

FOR instance, certain residents in Kennedy Road have had to park their cars further down the street than usual because the space in front of their own homes has been "borrowed" by Peakites. A lassie who lives at the Helena May was forced out of the Peak Tram station park and had to find other and not such good quarters.

AND finally, garage owners in the lower Peak Tram Station have been faced with a pretty problem owing to the presence of cars parked practically hub-to-hub in front of their garages. One man chalked up "Please do not park in front of garage entrance" but so far as we could see, no one took much notice of this. Funny, isn't it, when one reflects what a squawk these same Peakites would raise in Influential Quarters if the same thing happened in front of their stamping-grounds?



Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Wah-hong, after their wedding the other day. The bride was the former Miss Ho Hui-lan. (Chun Shin Mee Studio).

## Overheard

A LOCAL newshound—shot ourselves, we hasten to add—squeaked a European lady in the General Post Office a few days ago, but we doubt if she appreciated the fact. It was a hot and sticky day, and the newsmen was one of many standing in a congested line attempting to purchase stamps. This lady entered, assumed more than the prerogative of her sex and proceeded to barge her way through to the front, regardless of the amenities of civility.

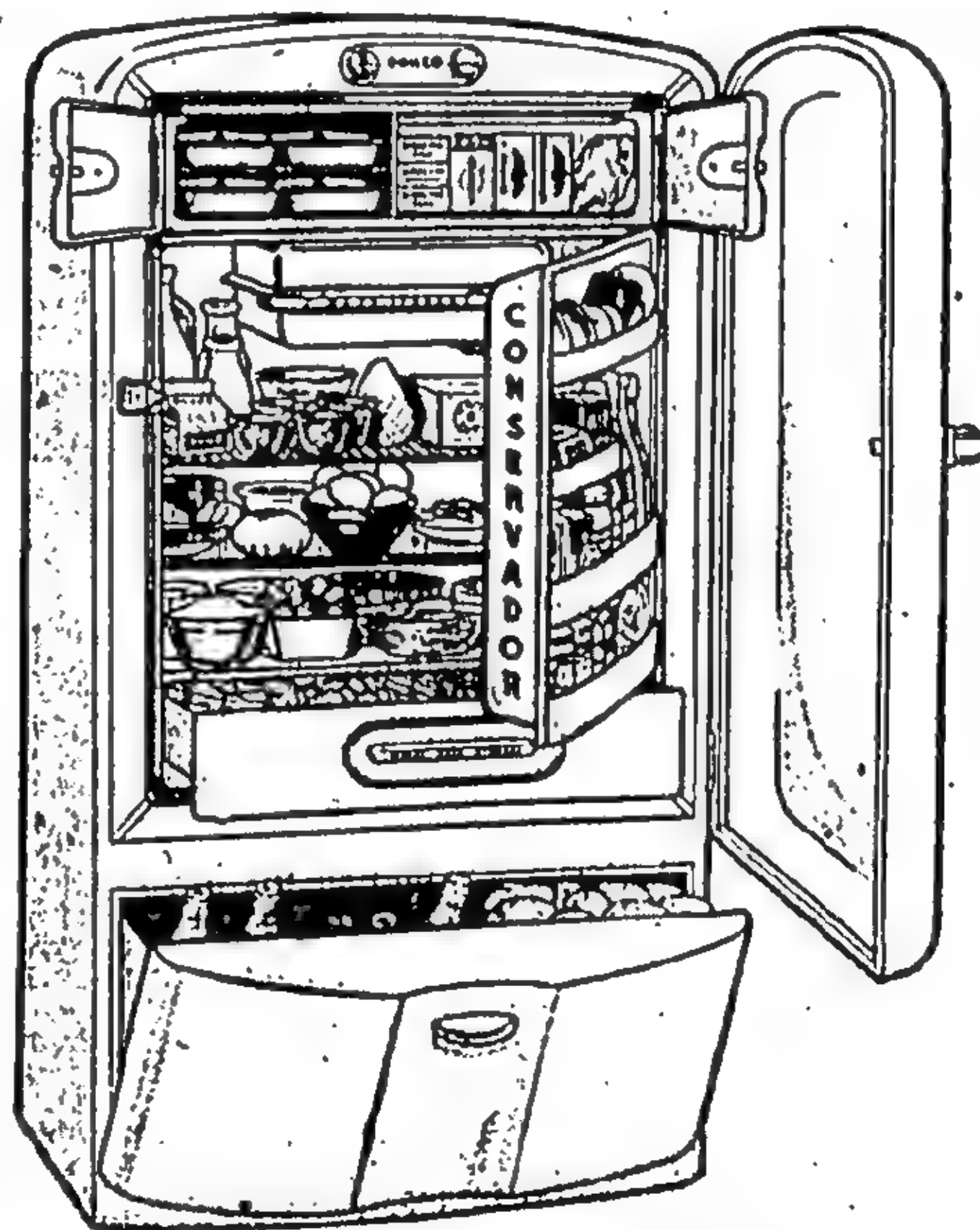
ANNOYED beyond extreme, the scrivener remarked, off-handedly: "Lady, you dropped something!" "Oh?" she queried, staring down at the floor. "Well what was it?" "Your manners!" retorted the jubilant scribe, to the smiles of others in the long queue.

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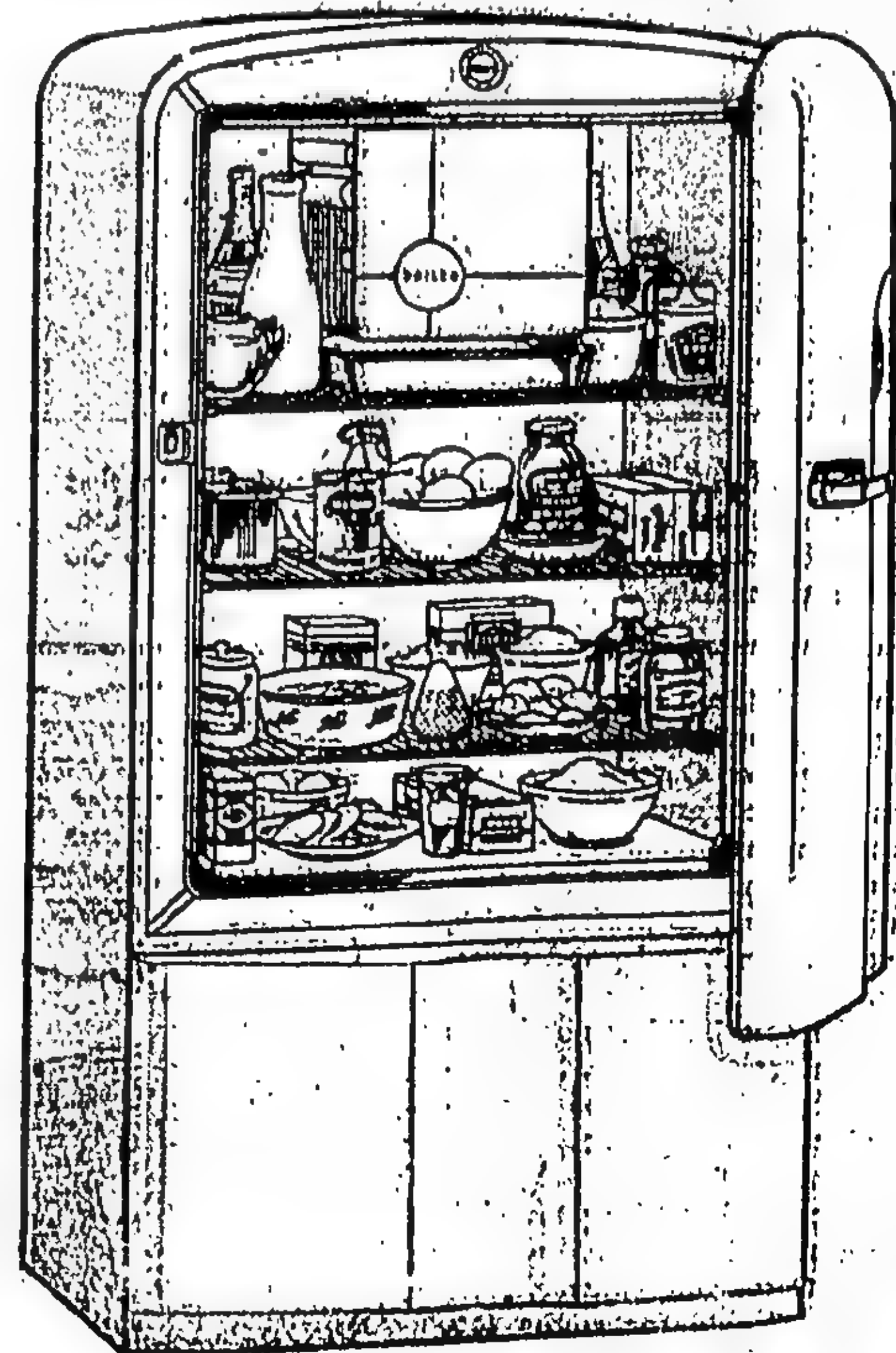
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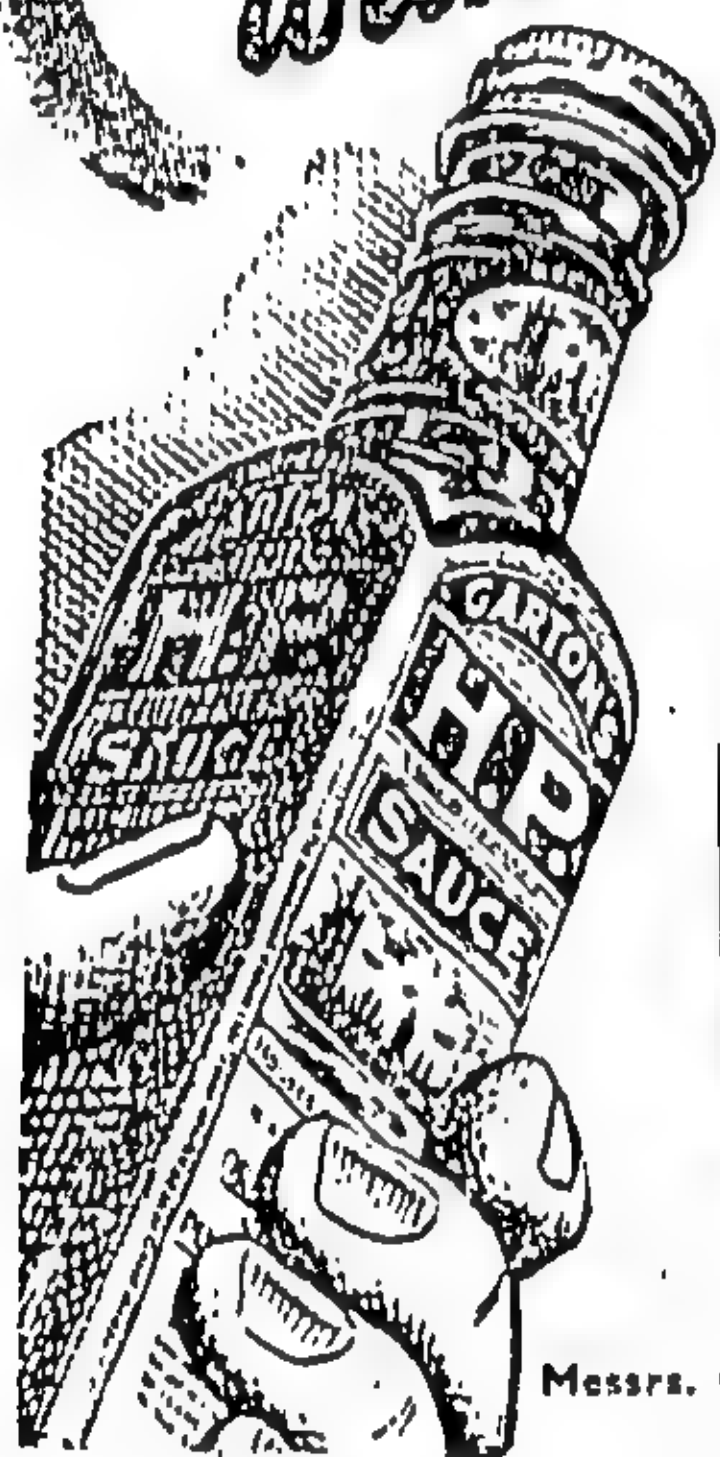


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# "Slap By Husband In Final Exasperation Not Unnatural"

## KOWLOON COURT REFUSES SEPARATION

WRITTEN JUDGMENT IN favour of defendant was delivered by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when he dismissed a summons issued by Chung Yui-ming, 36, against her husband, Nip Ping-chuen, for separation and maintenance.

However, the Magistrate advised complainant that she might make satisfactory arrangements through her solicitor with her husband concerning her request for separation other than by the Court.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared for complainant and Mr. D. McCallum for defendant.

According to counsel, defendant had, some six months ago, removed her to a mental hospital against her will, causing her to suffer both mentally and physically, and had taken a concubine with her knowledge for which she had also been suffering ill-health.

In dismissing the summons, Mr. Macfadyen said:—

In applications made to a Court of summary jurisdiction for a separation on the grounds of cruelty, the principles on which the Court must act are similar to those on which Courts with divorce jurisdiction must act.

These, in turn, are based on decisions of the Ecclesiastical Courts, which formerly exercised jurisdiction over matrimonial causes.

Since the Ecclesiastical Courts did not want to weaken the marriage tie except for grave cause, the definition of what constituted savellin, or legal cruelty, came to be, shortly, such conduct as to cause danger, or a reasonable apprehension of danger, to life, limb, or health.

The attempted modification suggested by counsel for Lord Russell, in Russell and Russell (1897) A. C. 235, that it need only be such conduct as to make co-habitation (morally) impossible, was accepted by the House of Lords. It was pointed out that there is, therefore, a distinction between what might properly be termed cruelty (including "mental cruelty") and legally recognised cruelty. There is no definition of "persistent" cruelty, but, according to "Stone" and "Halsbury" and other authorities, it means something more than would entitle a petitioner in the Divorce Court to a judicial separation (Cornall and Cornall 1910 74 T. L. R. 370), though having essentially the same meaning.

### Changed Behaviour

The real ground of complaint is the defendant's alleged changed behaviour towards complainant after he began living with a woman who was recognised by his family, though never formally by his wife, as a concubine. Even this relationship, however, began four years ago, and the defendant, though not with the consent of complainant, on this point I will only add that, even though co-habitation would not now be recognised by modern Chinese Law, it is not to be taken as the social status of the parties, and of Chinese custom in Hong Kong.

By both standards the mere taking of a concubine is not so extraordinary as to constitute deliberate cruelty on the part of the husband. We now come down to modern times, within the ambit of the summons, August 1939. In that month, apparently, the husband made a promise (unconditional according to the wife, on condition that she should give up the concubine) to give up the concubine. However he did not give her up. This, says complainant, made her very angry "which eventually made me ill." Since her own doctor (Dr. Law) says that she is a highly nervous person, a fact which was apparent when she gave evidence, this was a not unnatural result. However I am a result which must be attributed more to her own disposition than to any positive act of her husband.

### Physical Violence

These elements of what constitutes legal cruelty have not been modified by recent case e.g. Simecock and Simecock (1932) p. 17 (two serious assaults), Dunkin and Dunkin (1933) p. 17 (an assault of a very grave nature in 1933, following on a "violent" assault in 1928). It is true that there is no definition of "persistent" physical violence of bodily or mental pain. Consequently actual physical violence need not necessarily be present, and e.g. a long course of systematic neglect and insult continued until the wife's health breaks down or is proved to be likely to break down under the strain is cruelty. (1891), but not mere neglect and want of affection.

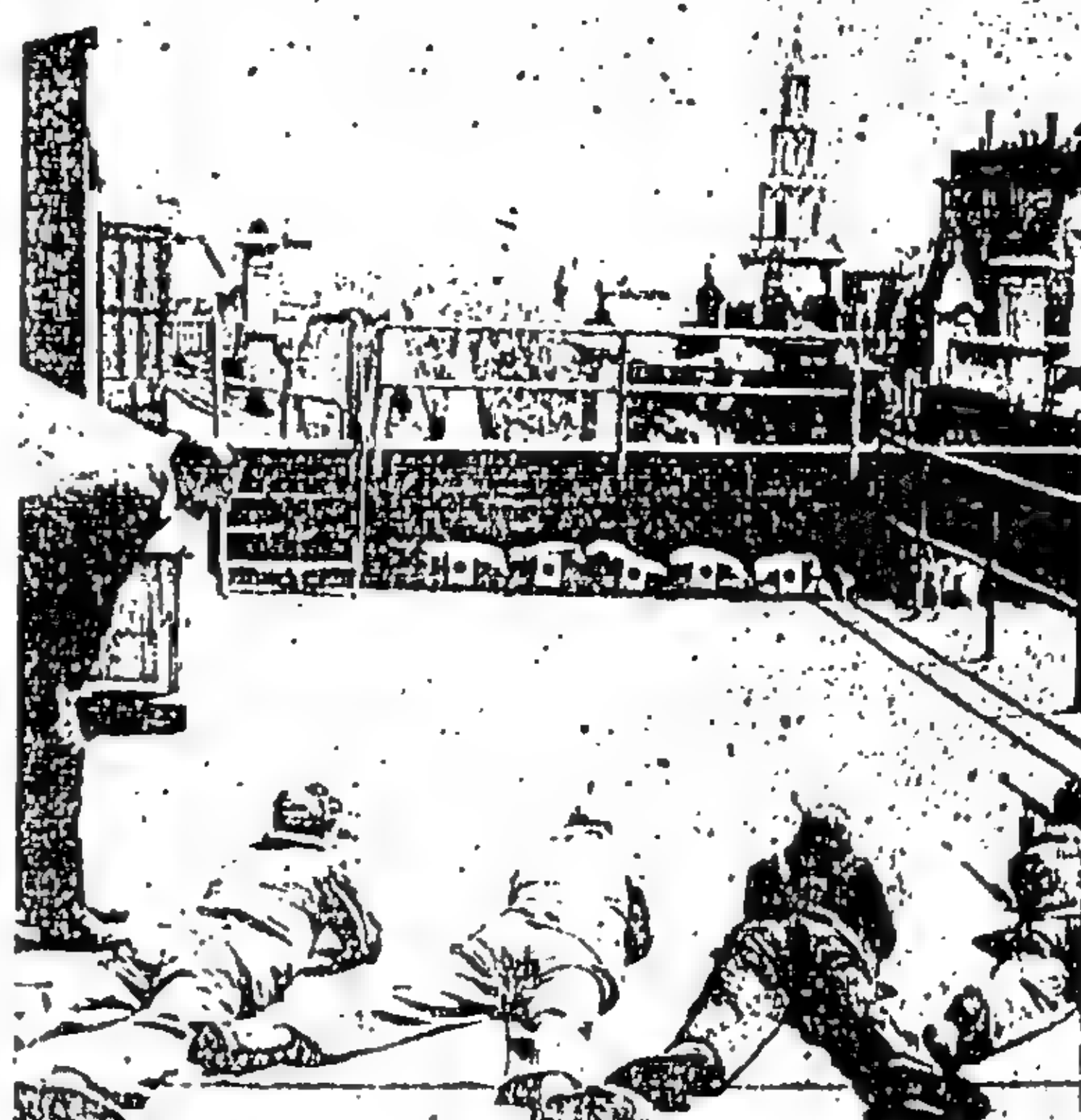
Even where there is physical violence persistent cruelty means cruelty over a period or is proved to be a sudden act of violence e.g. during a quarrel. In other words the acts of the party complained against must be wilful, systematic and studied, and must have as their actual or apprehended effect danger to the life, limb or health of the other party. The question is, therefore, whether the defendant's behaviour towards complainant after he began living with a woman who was recognised by his family, though never formally by his wife, as a concubine, even this relationship, however, began four years ago, and the defendant, though not with the consent of complainant, on this point I will only add that, even though co-habitation would not now be recognised by modern Chinese Law, it is not to be taken as the social status of the parties, and of Chinese custom in Hong Kong.

### Made A Scene

The next incident was on April 21, 1940. The husband having been absent from home for some days, complainant went to look for him, finding him eventually with his concubine. She frankly admits she made a scene, culminating in throwing a cushion at him, pretending to cut her throat with a chopper, and swallowing some opium "with the intention of committing suicide." In spite of the trying situation the husband seems to have behaved sensibly and considerably. He sent for a doctor and arranged for his wife to be taken home. However she was still so angry that when she got home she deliberately damaged his winter clothing, and then went to stay at her mother's.

As a result of the incident she says she became ill again, but again the cause was mainly in her own temperament. Her husband sought her out, and as she complained of illness, suggested she go to hospital.

Eventually it was decided that a hotel would be more restful. After a few days spent there she returned home. The day after her return the next incident occurred. "The next morning my husband scolded me and struck me with his hand, because I was weeping about what had previously happened, namely, his taking a concubine."



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### Slap Not Unnatural

In other words the wife would or could not forget her grievance, and a slap by the husband in final exasperation seems not unnatural. The husband then accused complainant of shamming illness. When she denied this he accepted her explanation. She herself says, about this incident, "I admit I was emotional."

The next incident, on which the complainant mainly relies, is that of the 29th May 1940, when complainant was admitted for observation, to the Mental Hospital. This is represented as a wilful and deliberate insult by the husband, and designed to have the serious effect on complainant's health which it apparently did have.

Complainant was at this date again staying at her mother's. Her husband called for her during the day and took her to a doctor, who was seen and in good health. That evening he called for her rather later than she had expected, to take her home.

She immediately accused him of having been to see his concubine, and, according to her sister-in-law's evidence, refused to have anything to do with him, or to explain from him. Even before his arrival she had apparently been in a rather emotional state. Her accusations led to another verbal scene, during which the other members of the family tried vainly to pacify her.

### Threatened Suicide

There is more than a suggestion that she again threatened suicide, which she did not do, for her part, did not take seriously. (She however, had not had the same experience as complainant's husband). It is not really surprising, therefore, that though complainant thought she was being taken home, her husband thought it wiser, in view of her hysterical behaviour, to take her to the Queen Mary Hospital. From there she was redirected to the Mental Hospital, being taken there by a friend of the family. It is obvious that he had, in any case, no deliberate intention of treating her as a person of unsound mind.

However, her behaviour that evening, combined with previous events within the knowledge, evidently suggested that, for her own safety, institutional care would be a wise precaution.

Two days short of the usual observational period of one week he removed her from the hospital, presumably because he was satisfied that, though highly emotional, she was not of unsound mind. There are two further aspects of this incident. Complainant alleges she was carried into the hospital against her will. She herself, at the time, did not know it was a mental hospital. In view of her hysterical state and the possibility, by no means remote, of the need to restrain her from injuring herself, I have no doubt that a certain amount of compulsion was considered necessary. In any case no excessive violence was alleged against the husband. Secondly, complainant alleges that the fact of finding herself in a mental hospital and the treatment she received there gave her a great shock and made her ill again.

I have no doubt it was very unpleasant indeed for her, and that having to conform to the hospital's reputation was very different to her own home life. Her husband, however, as far as he was concerned, was placing her in competent hands, and removed her from the

## MOSLEY IN SECRET COURT SITTING

It is revealed, that Sir Oswald Mosley, heavily guarded by two uniformed warders and five detectives, left Brixton Prison the other day for the first time since his arrest.

He was driven to the Law Courts where he was smuggled through a side-door into the Court where Mr. Justice Simonds held a secret sitting.

Precautions were taken to see that no unauthorized persons entered the Court. All doors were locked and several ushers placed outside.

### Sat 30 Minutes

The only persons in Court were the Judge, an usher, Sir Oswald and his guards.

The sitting lasted for thirty minutes. The doors were then unlocked and Sir Oswald, between the warders and followed by the detectives, left the Court.

He was taken to a courtyard where two cars were waiting. He entered one, and sitting between the warders, was driven off, presumably to Brixton. Court officials refused to reveal the reason for the private sitting.

## MEMORIAL FOR SIR ABE BAILEY

A memorial service for Sir Abe Bailey was held yesterday afternoon at St. Martin's-in-the-field. Amongst those present were Lord and Lady Willingdon, the Earl of Clarendon and Mr. Amery. The Prime Minister was represented by Mr. Brendan Bracken. — British Wireless.

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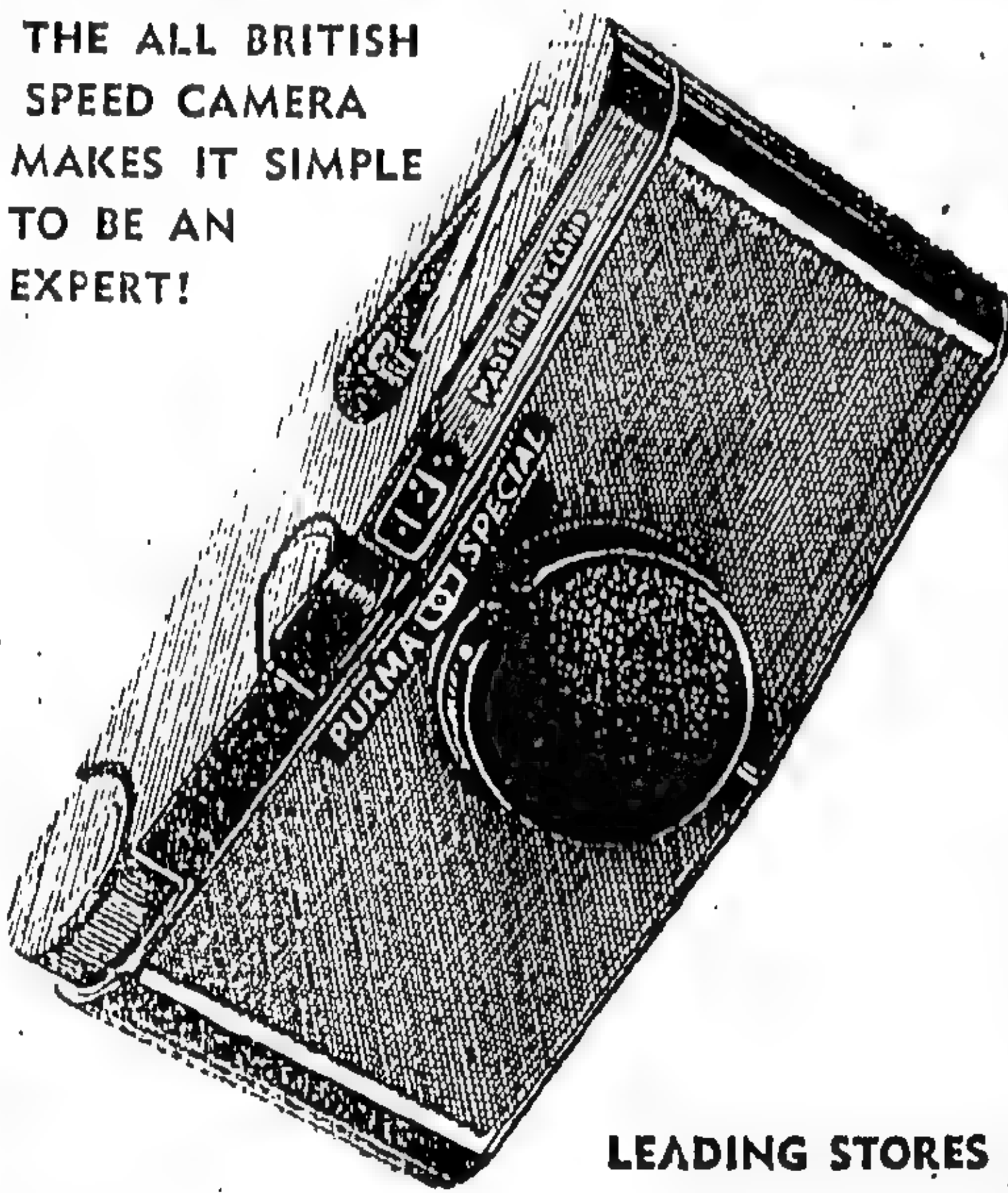
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THE closing-down of Hong Kong's one-time famous "Red-Light" districts has failed as lamentably and as completely in its object as Prohibition did in America.

In the United States, prohibition did not stop people from drinking; indeed, unable to buy officially-licensed liquors which had to reach Government standards before they were sold to the consumer, people were forced to turn to fiery potions and semi-poisonous intoxicants which did incalculable harm.

Similarly, the banning of the "Red-Light" districts did not improve matters, much less bring prostitution to an end in Hong Kong.

The lack of official check-reins or "standards" has led to the nightly parade of thousands of women, carrying venereal disease. This mention of "thousands" may sound like an exaggeration, but investigations into the subject of prostitution in Hong Kong show otherwise.

In the days of the "Red Light" districts, there were about 2,000 prostitutes in the Colony. They were registered and received regular medical examination.

To-day, it is no exaggeration to say that there are at least 25,000 prostitutes on the streets and in brothels, hotels and old rooms in Hong Kong. The closing of the "Red-Light" areas is not, by any means, the sole cause of this great increase. But the fact that there is no longer any control beyond the occasional closing of brothels by means of raids, which can be circumvented by opening up elsewhere—must be a great contributory factor.

### Appalling Facts

But, apart from the large number, there are two other even more appalling facts.

The first, and greatest, is that of these 25,000 to 30,000 prostitutes, over three-quarters are infected with venereal disease. This estimate of "over three-quarters" may be taken as a conservative one; in certain competent circles, it is often put as high as "nine out of ten." But let the estimate of approximately three out of four stand; it is shocking enough.

The other fact is that quite a large number of the prostitutes are under 15 years of age. There is, of course, legal machinery for punishing a girl in this, and from time to time a little item appears in the local press of girls of 12 or 13 rescued from such dives. But, with the lack of official supervision, such rescue work can only be carried out on "information received."

But to return to the main theme of this article, which is intended to awaken Hong Kong to the terrible pest festering in its midst: There are thousands of women walking about in Hong Kong to-day, carrying venereal disease around with them, endangering the whole community.

### The Issue

Discussing the problem four years ago in the United States, great progress has since been made—Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon-General and for 10 years chief of the Division of Venereal Diseases in the U.S. Public Health Service, writes:

"A plague that disables half a million Americans a year; a plague that does a hundred times as much damage as the dreaded infantile paralysis; a plague that is wrecking lives, shattering homes, and filling institutions all over the land with its insane, blind, feeble-minded or unemployed victims—that is syphilis."

"And yet we might virtually stamp out this disease were we not hampered by the widespread belief that nice people don't have syphilis, and that nice people shouldn't do anything about those who do have syphilis."

It is even granted that syphilis were a reservoir of disease in the one lowest social class of the population, scientists insist that such disease always filters

# "Now It Can Be Told" This At Least Should Be

through to higher strata of society. . . . Many cases come from such casual contacts as the use of a recently soiled drinking cup, a pipe or a cigarette; in receiving services from diseased nursemaids, barbers or beauty-shop operators, etc.; and in giving services such as those of a dentist, doctor or nurse to a diseased person. . . .

What is true in America, where higher standards of education and so on prevail, is true of Hong Kong. Venereal disease is this Colony's Social Problem No. 1, and investigations by your correspondent tend to show that much of the problem might be stamped out by sane legislation and official control.

### Main Questions

What is the position in Hong Kong to-day? In answering this question, it is best to ignore for the moment arguments as to whether or not prostitution can ever be entirely eradicated and if it is possible, whether it would be advisable; this can be left for the moment.

Prostitution itself is not illegal. The main questions then are:

1. Is the present uncontrolled, uncontrollable, system better than that of regulated "Red-Light" districts?

2. An important corollary: Is uncontrolled, officially ignored prostitution, if contributory factor to the spread of venereal disease? Prior to these two questions can best be answered by analysing the situation in the Colony to-day. Although brothels are illegal in Hong Kong, one has no difficulty in finding dozens of them; if the girls are not out soliciting, rich men are only too glad to provide directions.

On the island, the main districts, in order of importance, are Wanchai; Pedder Street and vicinity; Shaukiwan; and Kennedy Town. Brothels are, of course, scattered all over between these areas.

On the Mainland, Yau-ma-tei is the biggest district, with several Chinese hotels doing a thriving business as well. Nathan Road, particularly around the cinemas, is next, and Mong Kok a very close second.

There are three main types of "accommodation" provided: the hotel room rented for the necessary period; the single small room (Wanchai is a warren of these); and the brothel proper, divided up into cubicles containing a bed, a chair and a spittoon.

### Typical Example

For the sake of convenience, a brothel may be taken as an example, say, one of those just past the Central Market. (Details vary slightly, and this description does not necessarily apply to any one given brothel; but basically, the description may be taken as typical.)

Situated on the ground floor in an alley just off Queen's Road, this brothel contains about eight cubicles and is run by a brothel-keeper, who does not himself, however, "run" any prostitutes.

These are "run" by amahs, or mistresses, who may have anywhere from seven to ten girls. The amah arranges to pay the brothel-keeper a certain percentage of the takings—generally a little less than half—and keeps the remainder.

The girl herself may get a few odd cents from time to time, particularly if the customer is generous and slips her something on the sly, but technically she is only entitled to her clothing, food and shelter. The latter, incidentally,

is never on the premises. On entering, one is conducted to a cubicle and girls then pass in parade past the door until the customer makes his choice.

The very highest type of prostitute has only a rudimentary knowledge of prophylaxis. The overwhelming majority are absolutely ignorant on the subject. When at last it dawns on them, or their amah, that they are infected, they are given some Chinese medicine of doubtful therapeutic value and "carry on."

Eventually, they may have to go to a Chinese doctor for treatment. But, since they have to earn their board and keep, this

does not prevent them from returning "on duty" while taking treatment! And so the sorry tale continues, with each girl "catering to" from two to five men a night.

In addition to the 25,000 or so regularly practicing prostitutes and escort girls, whose knowledge of prophylaxis is even scantier than that of the "regulars," since many girls in this category do not practise prostitution—and are out-spoken in their condemnation of their earning sisters—it has been found impossible to estimate the number who are "sly prostitutes," and what proportion of them may be infected.

### Two Courses

There would appear to be two main courses open to the authorities to control the menace. The first would be to make prostitutes into custody and see that they are given medical treatment. The second would be to exercise some sort of official control, both in limiting numbers and in making regular medical examination compulsory on either through re-institution or through passing legislation arriving at similar ends without making it a Government monopoly like opium and without offending the more rigid puritan element in this Colony's population.

The first solution appears to have almost insuperable difficulties. In the first place, there is no accommodation for the girls, for present refugees are full and infected girls have to be segregated until cured.

In addition, since the girls have absolutely no other means of support, Government will have to support them while they are being detained, and will also have to see that they are trained for work lest, when released, they simply return to their former habits.

Government will then still have the problem of the large number of unemployed, dim-witted girls who see in prostitution an easy way of earning a living.

This solution might well prove the best, if the initial problems can be overcome, although the cost will be enormous. At the same time, it would solve the problem of the large number of unemployed girls who see in prostitution an easy way of earning a living.

eral public which says "Oh no, out of the question," but is unable to provide a reasonable alternative.

Assuming for the moment that it is possible, and Government takes its head out of the sand and adopts a realistic attitude, what happens then?

Prostitution then becomes Government controlled, or, at least, supervised. Brothels, instead of being illegal, might become the only legal places of prostitution. These would be inspected regularly, and the girls attached to them examined at regular intervals. In addition, they would be educated in prophylactic hygiene.

Each girl would be registered, and unregistered prostitution would be made a crime. Brothel-keepers would be required, under law, to see that any infected girl received prompt treatment; this cannot be done at the moment, as brothels are illegal and brothel-keepers have no status except as objects in the dock.

### Protest Natural

In making this suggestion—which is, basically, for a return in some form or another of "Red-Light" districts—it is to be expected that a storm of protest will arise. That is natural, and, in general, reflects credit on the community.

But the main facts remain: There are over 25,000 prostitutes in the Colony, the majority of them are infected with venereal disease and are passing it on. How is this problem to be met?

If one urges either that prostitution is necessary or, if not necessary, that it is impossible to do away with it, some official measure of control is required to keep it and venereal disease, within bounds—whether by reopening the "Red-Light" areas or by other means.

One might argue that prostitution is not necessary and it is possible to eradicate it completely.

Around this point of view can arise a wealth of argument.

There are those who say that the man who gives way is descending to the level of the beast, and that he will never attain the level of civilisation and intelligence of those who sublimates their passions.

Then there is the position of those who have no Great Life's Work into which they can plunge themselves, no all-absorbing aesthetic passion into which they can burrow, sheltering themselves from the sordid.

All this, incidentally, applies only to those of higher standards of living and social education, both foreign and Chinese, who are "presumed to know better." In addition, there is a greater number, who either have no desire for aesthetic pursuits or who are denied access to them.

Their tastes are basic and simple. It is useless to get on a soap-box and preach to them on immorality.

Unless and until there is a radical change in the biological make-up of man, there will al-

ways be many who will turn to the Lady of the Streets.

That being the case—and history, both ancient and modern, supports it—then the question resolves itself into the simple one of—Which is better, to protect prostitutes themselves and to keep a check-rein on venereal disease—controlled or uncontrolled prostitution?

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# East Holds The War Key

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The whole structure of power that was the framework of Western Europe has been shattered, and for weeks and months to come, Tokyo, Moscow and Ankara will be busy in drawing the logical consequences.

That Sunday, when the refugees carried their panic into Bordeaux, will make his cry from Gibraltar to distant Singapore. Already some of the chapter-headings in the new volume are legible, even in the twilight that surrounds us. Russia has taken Bessarabia; Turkey will stay neutral; Japan is imposing a sort of blockade on French and British possessions in the Far East.

Russia has used the moment to complete the expansion which she planned last August. She has now recovered most of the territory that once belonged to the Tsars. Her motives are probably, in the first place, strategic. She dominates Finland; she has acquired the Baltic provinces; she has annexed half Poland.

To complete her defences she has now taken from Rumania her lost province of Bessarabia, with Bukovina.

In all these moves, Stalin's main purpose may be to obtain a more easily defensible

frontier against the West, which means, in plain words, against Hitler. He is at the same time strengthening his diplomatic position. The Yugoslavs are seeking shelter under his wing, and in Sofia, as well as Belgrade, there is a tendency to revive the Pan-Slavism of the nineteenth century. What is much more important,

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the coolness that arose for a time between Turks and Russians has passed. The Turks have discovered, for reasons that I refrain from investigating, that their treaty with London and Paris does not require them to take action against Italy's aggressions in the Mediterranean. This means that the Turks have swung back into their old place in Russia's orbit. Like the Russians, their hope is, and presumably, to check the expansion of the victorious Germans towards the East.

That may not be an easy undertaking. Hitler's European Empire suffers from one growing anxiety—his shortage of oil. The Turks all uncomfortably across the Roads that lead to the wells of Mosul and the Persian Gulf. Russia, moreover, while she shortens and strengthens her Western frontier, cannot neglect her defences against Japan. That is why she is

rearming at her best pace. Japan's performances are too obvious to need much comment: the defeat of France is her opportunity.

Behind all recent moves is a determination to make herself the sole mistress of all Further Asia. How far she dare go depends less on us than on the United States and Rus-

sa. No agreement exists between these two; it should be our first aim to promote it.

Our own part in the aftermath of the earthquake calls for a stout heart and clear-sighted diplomacy. From the weaker States we can hope little. The only wise course is to win the cooperation both of the Soviet Union and the United States.

Our prospects, both in Washington and Moscow would be brighter if our own Government were a less bewildered mixture of the spirit of resistance and the record of appeasement.

One Power in this Eastern tangle we have still to win. India is the focus of this pattern of forces. She is central in the strategic plan; she has vast reserves of man-power, her industries could be rapidly expanded with American help.

Morally she is more than ever the key to our political problem. From the first days of this war it has been clear that criticism of our policy towards India ranks high among the reasons that check American enthusiasm for our cause.

German propaganda in the United States has made skillful use of our failure to reconcile this nation. We brought her into the war without asking her consent, but until we obtain it, we shall never get her whole-hearted co-operation.

This situation calls not for promises, but for acts. The best thing we could do would be to declare India, even now, by resolutions in Parliament, a Dominion, leaving it to Indians themselves to work out the details of the Constitution and the necessary transitional steps.

They understand at last that in the jungle of modern lawlessness India has to be defended. That done, it could be easy to turn the Viceroy's Council into a Cabinet that would enjoy the confidence of the Indian people.

The road to reconciliation is still open, but we must bring ourselves to treat India as an allied nation and not as a subject dependency. She may have our fate in her hands. A month hence may be too late.

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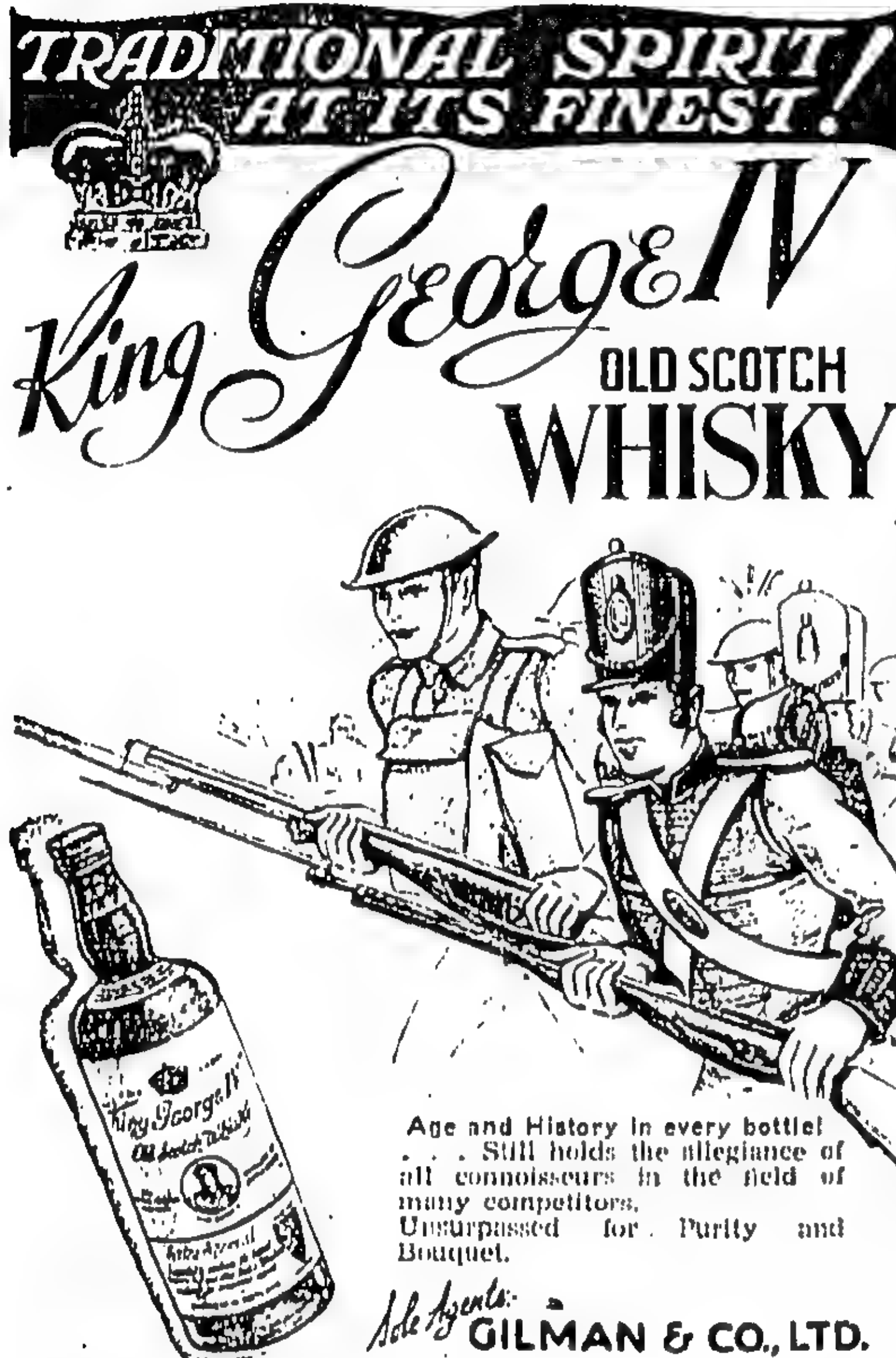
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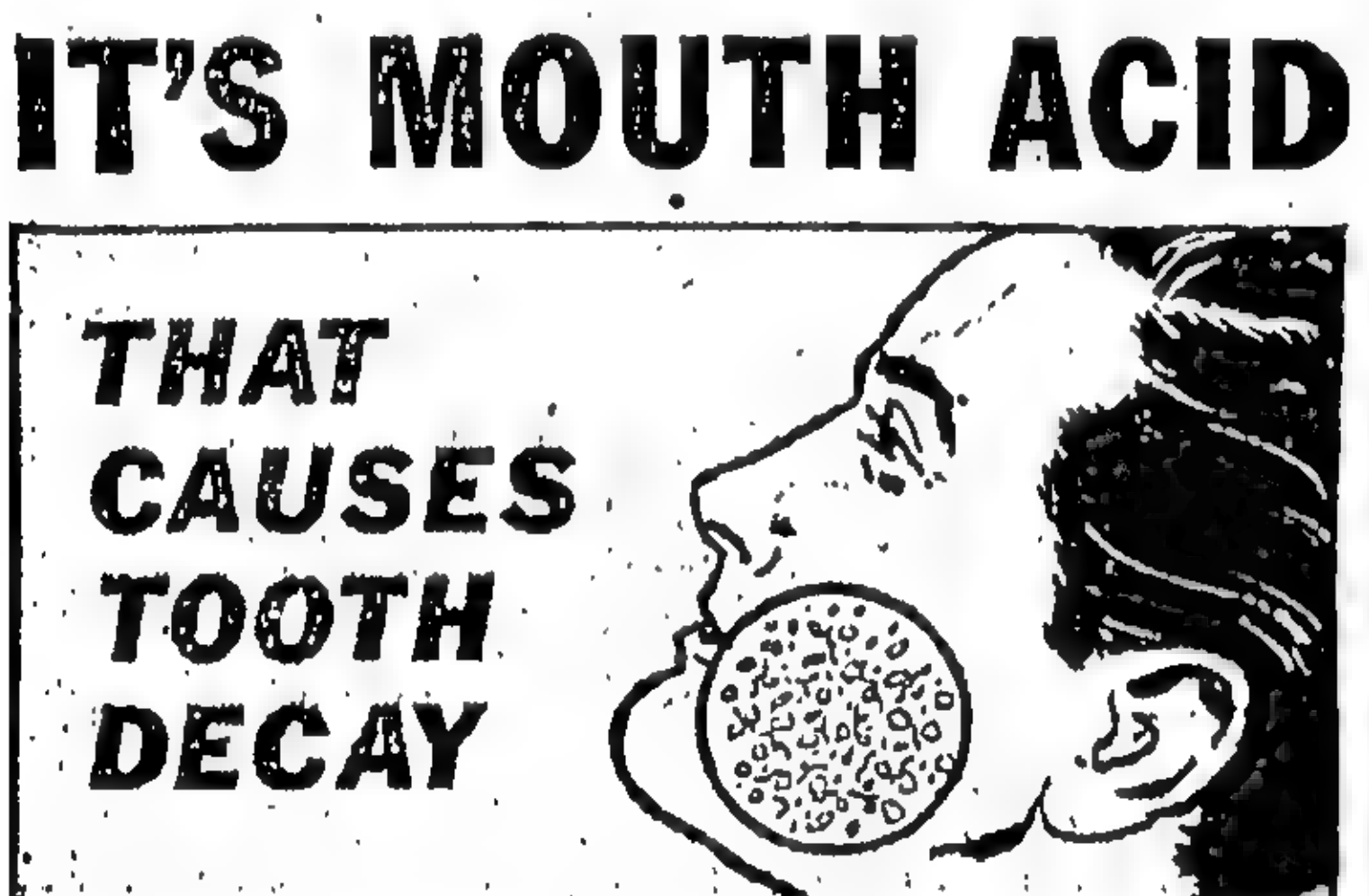


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# HONG KONG EVACUEES SETTLING DOWN IN AUSTRALIA

Sydney, August 6.

THE FIRST "OFFICIAL" contingent of 584 evacuees from Hong Kong has reached Australia, and those destined for Sydney should reach here this week. Another 2,000 odd in four ships, are following. Meanwhile, in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia arrangements are being speeded up for their reception.

The Minister for the interior (Senator Foll) said yesterday in Canberra that no limit would be set on the number of evacuees Australia was prepared to receive.

Only a comparatively small number of the women and children on this week's ship will have friends with whom to stay, but the Overseas Children Citizens' Committee, headed by Dr. H. G. McIntyre, has received sufficient offers of accommodation for the remainder.

An office for inquiries and the receipt of offers of homes, has been set up in Sydney. Its address is the British Settlers' Welfare Committee, Room 7, 1st floor, 34 Martin Place, Sydney. Enquiries may also be made through the Government Tourist Bureau.

It was found that a large proportion of evacuees could not afford to stay at the hotels and boarding houses originally selected for them.

The list of hotels and boarding houses prepared in the first place by the Tourist Bureau showed no tariff below two guineas a week.

First thing most of them did on reaching Brisbane was to rush ashore and buy warm clothes. Even "Sunny Queensland" turns on a few cold winds at this time of the year, and the sudden change was felt by women coming from midsummer conditions.

A picturesque medley of clothing was the result when the ship landed in Sydney. Many women wore fur coats over slacks—"anything to keep warm" as one of them said.

Nevertheless we can promise our visitors a fine assortment of sunny days shortly. In fact we have had a couple of Spring days already. The shops already are decked with gay Spring clothes—so gay that it is difficult to realise when looking at them that the world is buying bombs rather than bonnets this Spring.

## Sydney At Its Best

Sydney is looking its best, for although so little rain has fallen on the catchment area this year that there is a possibility of water rationing, the rain perversely has fallen on metropolitan parks.

However, it is only a couple of years since we were all adjured to take showers instead of baths, and so lightly with the garden hoses, and with customary Australian optimism we expect that the catchment area will be soaked shortly.

The Hong Kong visitors who arrived in the earlier ships are adding to the already plentiful colour of King's Cross with their Chinese umbrellas. King's Cross is used to most things, but the sight of a neatly trousered Chinese nurse usually receives a curious glance.

Some of the visitors are already devoting themselves to war work—there is plenty of that. Women are busy learning signalling, aviation theory, transport driving, even handling a rifle—and, of course, first aid, and home nursing. Sewing machines whirr, and knitting needles click, all around the cities and country. From the very young to the very old, women are busy providing comforts for "the boys."

## War Fun For War Funds

The raising of money for various war efforts has ensured the continuity of dances, card parties and concerts. To-night Sir Thomas Beecham is conducting his first patriotic concert in Australia at the Sydney Town Hall. With customary Beecham bluntness he announced that the £2,000 raised from the last big orchestral patriotic concert should be doubled, and the committee is endeavouring to reach the £5,000 mark.

Uniforms are everywhere—the khaki of soldiers and the blue of the Navy and Air Force, while women are decked in uniforms of navy, brown and green, according to their various units.

We can at least promise our Eastern visitors that they will not be bored.

First of the evacuees to reach Sydney was Mrs. Terence Abbott, wife of Dr. Terence Abbott of Hong Kong. She is a Sydney girl, was Miss Patricia Littlejohn, and arrived with her three weeks old baby by flying boat.

She spent the first few days in a nursing home, recovering from the strain of being rushed straight from Hospital to the plane. Now both she and Lyndal Ruth—the baby daughter—are staying with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Abbott, in the country, at Scotch.

## Largest Family

Largest family to travel by the ship which reached here the week before last was Mrs. C. M. Brown and her five children. Mr. Brown is managing director of the China Construction Company.

Romance blossomed for the eldest daughter, Miss C. M. Brown, on the trip down. She became engaged to Mr. A. L. Datzel of the Shanghai Municipal Police Force, who came to Australia to enlist.

Among others that arrived, were Mrs. G. Milne and her five months old daughter, Sheila. Mrs. A. W. Ingram, Mrs. Henry Hall.

Expected in Sydney this week is Mrs. Ian Adam, formerly Miss Maude Walsh of Sydney, who was married in Hong Kong only a couple of weeks ago. Traveling with her is Mrs. Marge Skelton. By GOOSE FEATHER.

## 688 AWARDS TO THE NAVY

The second naval V.C. of the war appears on a list of 688 names from Vice-Admirals to deck-hands in a list of honours and awards, mostly for Dunkirk, issued yesterday.

The V.C. is Lieutenant R. B. Stennard, R.N.R., of H.M.S. Arab, for the part he played at Namsos, where he saved his ship and many lives after five days of bombing attacks. — Reuter.

## PETROL RATION INCREASED

There is good news for motorists in Australia. The petrol ration is to be doubled, so that private owners will now have enough for about 80 miles a week. An Australian "Home Guard" is to be formed. — Reuter.

## Billeting Appeal

Consequently the Under Secretary of the Department of Labour and Industry (Mr. C. J. Bellemore) made an appeal for private citizens to billet the visitors.

However there are many private boarding houses in Sydney—in fact in any Australian capital—with tariff about the 30/- or 35/- mark, and there should be no difficulty in finding homes for all our new residents.

Many owners of seaside cottages have offered their homes at nominal rentals. At this time of the year the seaside is practically deserted, rents are low, and the coast is very pleasant.

The old bone of contention—Melbourne versus Sydney—caused a mild storm in a tussle over the question of evacuees.

A Government officer in Sydney made the quip that when the evacuees heard about the Melbourne climate they would probably prefer to stay in New South Wales. In one section of the press this statement was wrongly attributed to a tourist bureau officer. A hurried correction was made next day, suggesting that a little ill-feeling had arisen over this slight on the vagaries of Victorian weather.

## Full Ship

So far a number of "unofficial" evacuees has arrived, and are settling down happily. A full ship reached Sydney about ten days ago. It had left Hong Kong after the evacuation order, but most of the passengers aboard had booked their berths beforehand.

## STRAWS IN THE WIND

Recent new appointments in British military high command have by no means disposed of certain problems that have engaged the attention of the Government.

Experiments in flying American-made bombers to Britain over the Atlantic are reaching their final stages to be included in a general sweeping plan of reinforcing Britain's defences from the Western World. American experts have collaborated in the plan and success has already been achieved.

A new type of British destroyer will shortly enter the lists against Hitler. Experts believe that it will spell failure to any Nazi attempts at invasion by sea.

Abraham Ascher, head of one of the world's largest diamond concerns, has been executed in Amsterdam, together with his two sons, for alleged anti-Nazi activity.

According to a report from Rome, Germany's secret weapon is a vast horde of omnivorous grasshoppers to devour British crops!

More anti-aircraft guns have been mounted on the roof of Moscow's Kremlin. They are mostly of Nazi make and come from the Skoda works at Pilsen. Out of a total of 2,000 guns produced by Germany to Russia, only 140 have arrived so far.

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**SOCIAL EVIL**

Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the meaning of the facts and figures provided in Page Eight regarding the Colony's social scourge.

The military have made Hong Kong for all practical purposes a non-family station. Hundreds of civilians have had their families sent from Hong Kong to Australia by the Government, for military reasons. And, even with the best intentions in the world, men are likely to be men.

With most of the grim details of the prevalence of disease in the Colony, the authorities are already well acquainted. It is just as well that the community at large should be equally well informed: from two angles. Knowledge in this case may breed caution. It may also lead to the development of public opinion in favour of a long-needed reform.

Realistic thinkers in Hong Kong have never been provided with the slightest cause for belief in the success of the policy of abolition of malson tolerances, a step taken some years ago at the behest of string-pullers actuated by the League of Nations.

On the contrary, its known results have been little short of calamitous. Prostitution has been driven underground; corruption has found new channels of industry; venereal disease has increased to a degree appalling to medical men in the Services; the information concerning those who visit private practitioners being, obviously, more difficult to obtain. In addition, traffic in women and girls has developed to such an extent suppressive efforts can touch only at the fringe of the problem.

On these facts alone, a powerful case could be made out for reversal of policy, for the exercise of such official control of prostitution as would remove the most fearsome of the evils within a relatively short time. It would have been applicable to conditions in Hong Kong at any time within the last three years. It gains weight to-day when the army of the unattached in the Colony has been increased by some thousands, against their will.

The reply of the Puritan can be predicted in advance. But sermons in stony faces will cure nothing—least of all venereal disease.

## BRITAIN'S TASK

Britain's casualties in this week of air blitzkrieg are not likely to be known for some time. It is plain, however, that the country is going through a period of great trial.

It is inspiring therefore to obtain the information from neutral sources, that Britain's spirit remains quite unquenched by this type of warfare.

The concentrated fury of the attack derives from the grim fact that we are now fighting this war alone. Yet there is no dismay. The task is a heavy one, but if we do not under-estimate its severity, neither do we quake.

It is as hard a task as ever fell to the British people; perhaps harder even than our task after Austerlitz and the Treaty of Tilsit. In 1805 Pitt formed his great coalition with Austria and Russia. In a few weeks Austria was crushed at Austerlitz and made peace. In October, 1806, Napoleon defeated Prussia and Saxony at Jena and Auerstedt, and made peace. In February, 1807, Napoleon defeated Russia at Eylau, and in June he won the second victory at Friedland. Then came the notorious Treaty of Tilsit when the Tsar Alexander, not content with making peace, yielded to Napoleon's spell and became his ally. Austria and Prussia had been compelled to make peace; Russia had gone over to the enemy. Nothing was left of the great alliance.

Napoleon felt himself so strong that he deported and imprisoned the Pope in order to incorporate his territory in the department system of the French Empire. Britain was alone and almost friendless. With the United States she was on bad terms and the quarrels that brought the two peoples to war were already brewing.

This bare account shows that in two respects our strength is greater than the strength of the Britain that faced those dangers. We have behind us in steadily increasing volume the energy, courage, and tenacity of the four young nations of the British Commonwealth, whose fighting strength and skill are nowhere surpassed, and the moral and material power of the United States.

# Gearing The War To The Machine

If we are to win this war and avoid catastrophe at the end of it, we must, alongside an immense mobilisation of our strength for naval, military, and air fighting, carry through a social and economic revolution. This revolution must go much further than the control of in-war effort and the 100 per cent. of war profits now exercised by the Government.

It must, I am convinced, cover every phase of national economic activity. The machinery to plan the economic revolution exists in the Economic Policy Committee of the Cabinet. Naturally, when Mr. Chamberlain was Premier, and Simon was the chief economic authority of the Cabinet, it was not used, since neither of these gentlemen ever had the initiative to plan anything but a retreat. Now Arthur Greenwood is chairman of the Committee. As such, he has a tremendous opportunity. It lies in his hands at one and the same time to organise our economic resources for a smashing blow at Hitler and to lay the foundations for a better Britain after the war.

What ought the Economic Policy Committee to do? Its first job is, of course, to plan our industrial and financial resources so that our potential economic strength is used to the limit in this war.

What does such an economic plan involve? There are eight main factors which need to be taken into account: (1) The size of the National Output. (2) The total taxable income. (3) The number of trained industrial workers and the size of the reserves from which new workers can be drawn. (4) The size and nature of our industrial plant. (5) The possession or access to essential minerals and other materials. (6) The nature and extent of the export trade we can maintain during war to pay for essential imports. (7) The size of the gold and foreign exchange resources we can call upon to supplement our export trade in paying for essential imports. (8) The necessity of maintaining as high a standard of living as possible for the home population, despite the demands of war, and even of improving that standard where it is very low, in the interests not only of social justice, but also of efficiency and morale.

The size of our National Output is the best guide to the potential strength of our war effort since it is a kind of mathematical method of assessing our total annual production. Before the war it was something around £4,850,000,000 a year. Now, with increased employment and overtime, it is probably nearer £5,675,000,000, or will reach that figure soon. The central problem of economic planning is to decide how much of that National Output must be taken by the Government for the direction of effort and for essential social and other Government services and how much can be left for export trade and internal consumption.

It seems probable from all the estimates that are available that at least 60 per cent. of the National Output will have to be absorbed by the Government during the war. It may well be more. That involves not only considerable problems of economic adjustment and transfer, but also a problem of war finance, which has not yet begun to be viewed, to be tackled on a sufficiently serious scale, and, perhaps, never will be unless Arthur Greenwood, as the senior Minister, forces Kingley Wood, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to adopt a much more radical conception of his functions than he has so far shown signs of doing.

The task of seeing that this plant and this skill is fully used, that new arms factories are swung rapidly into production, and that workers from non-essential industries are quickly trained to new jobs and transferred to the war effort, is primarily the task of Bevin and Morrison, who have already shown the nation how well they can tackle it.

A sound economic plan must not only ensure absolute efficiency in our production, but it must also ensure that workers are not left on unessential work, but it must also avoid sowing the seeds of a future disorganisation such as followed the last war, and must maintain

the health and morale of the people during the war.

It is vital that we should not direct our war-time export trade as to retain our position in those overseas markets which are likely to be essential to us in the period of reconstruction after the war.

Our problem, properly understood, is not only that of getting foreign exchange to pay for our war imports, but of at the same time keeping customers whose trade we shall need badly in the future if we are to escape a post-war industrial collapse.

That can only be done if the Economic Policy Committee exercises complete control over the export industries as is already exercised by the Government over the war industries. The volume and direction of exports ought not now to be left to the normal instincts of profit-making. Exporters should be required to work to a Government plan.

In addition, if these goods which are essential to a reasonable standard of life, and which are manufactured by home producers, are to be produced in the amounts we require by a very much smaller number of industry now available for civilian production, an equitable planned control of these industries is needed in order to increase their productive ability to the maximum. Civilian industries, as well as war industries, ought now to be required to work to a Government programme, and where amalgamation or standardisation would increase output that should be compelled.

Finally, we cannot have complete economic planning on the scale necessary unless the Economic Policy Committee assumes considerable control of the great foreign investment institutions and the banks. It must be able freely to use all the great reserves of foreign exchange and foreign investment these organisations control to supplement the proceeds of our export trade.

Moreover, it must control the operations of the banks if we are to avoid the danger of inflation and an over-expansion of credit inherent in a war situation. In such a situation, when all sorts of firms are wanting loans to finance extensions, there is an immense temptation for the banks to inflate credit extensively to their own profit as they did in the last war. This temptation is increased if a high proportion of Government expenditure is financed by loans. The power to fall a victim to any such temptation ought to be taken out of their hands.

While the main object of present economic planning must be to avoid the most acute dangers of post-war disorganisation and to establish the foundation of future social advance. This can be done partly by controls of a character which can be continued after the war, so that the stampede of "back to business as usual" is avoided; partly by taking into account, in the erection of new factories for war work, the social advantages of a better geographical distribution of industry than in the past; partly by intelligent planning of export trade on the lines already indicated and, perhaps most important of all, by using Government control to secure a balance between profits and wages more socially just than in the past.

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By FRANCIS WILLIAMS

## Battle Of Ideas: PROS AND CONS OF INVASION

ALL are agreed that the enemy must invade Great Britain fully and successfully or lose all in his gigantic gamble. Whether that gamble could ever be permanently successful aiming as it does at the destruction of European civilisation with its roots of 2,000 years, is another question. For the moment the issue is his victory or defeat in the next few weeks, and that depends upon his attempted invasion of the British Isles.

Invasion to be successful implies full occupation of the invaded territory. Nothing short of that will give the enemy victory even for the moment.

Now what are the circumstances at present favourable and unfavourable for such a plan? That plan comprises certain preliminaries to, or necessities to, invasion. These are of two kinds: First, the throwing of our own into confusion. Second, blockade.

Throwing our society into confusion would present a disorganised mass to the attack of an organised body. And organisation has immeasurable advantages over disorganisation. All conquest has been a triumph of an organised minority. Blockade, that is interference with supplies from overseas, pushed so far as to exhaust our stocks and cripple our efforts, would, working side by side with internal confusion, lay a secure foundation for the occupation of invaded territory.

The Weapon Of Fear

To effect this disorganisation of our society the enemy will certainly rely upon fear. To terrorise is (as has been repeated here), and has always been in the past, his main instrument. Now

this part of his offensive is moral, not material, and therefore can only be met by a moral defensive. Since the attainment of the two elements: exact immediate obedience to authority and the fixed determination to avoid the contagion of fear.

The packed urban conditions of English life and the tradition centuries old of the presence of the enemy here to the enemy's advantage. But, on the other hand, there is a unity of will and a fixity therein which he almost certainly underestimates.

A scattered agricultural population may be less liable to contagious panic than an industrial town population. But the latter can be more homogeneous.

The enemy's material resources for provoking confusion are numerous, but apparently all now tested by continental experience, so that the prime element of surprise should be absent. There comes first, of course, bombardment from the air, including incendiary.

The enemy's most active form in this has been the use of aircraft flying low along the main railways and roads of the invaded country. The attacks from the air on purely civilian centres have played a much lesser part. He has, as we have said more than once, numerical superiority still in aircraft and in the large number of porting superiority, and its quality as compared to our own is diminishing still faster. A possible further instrument is long-range artillery on a scale hitherto unused, even during the attacks on Paris twenty-three years ago. The enemy's possession of the opposite coast gives him an obvious advantage. On the other hand, his artillery action of this kind has never proved of decisive effect.

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## THIS WEEK

When last week we warned that Hitler could not hold his hand much longer, that the opening of the blitzkrieg had already cast its shadows before, the prophecy was not made a moment too soon.

Sunday itself was chosen for the launching of mass air attacks on the British Isles, on a scale greater than had ever been experienced before. Through the week, with a brief pause on Wednesday, the numbers of planes thrown against the defences were doubled and then re-doubled, so that by Thursday between 1,000 and 2,000 German machines took part in the desperate attempts to smash through.

### Heavy Nazi Losses

If this is the beginning of the supreme bid of the Nazi hierarchy for the conquest and domination of Britain, the results must not justify what Mr. Anthony Eden this week called the spirit of quiet confidence. As the violence of the Nazi attacks increased, so proportionately did their losses. The casualty rate jumped from 31 planes destroyed on Sunday to 149 on Thursday. More remarkable, the ratio between losses of the attack and of the defences lengthened so remarkably in favour of the R.A.F. that the net cost to Britain of the destruction of 149 planes on Thursday was only 34 fighter planes, and the pilots of 17 of those baled out or were otherwise saved. The superiority of British planes and pilots has been magnificently demonstrated. The beginning has been formidable, in line with the sternest anticipations. If the clash of the greatest air battles in history display, in their first results, the future progress of the air campaign, it can only be the beginning of a disastrous end for Herr Hitler.

### R.A.F. Raids On Italy

All that is on the defensive side. By no means the full measure of the gigantic effort of the Royal Air Force. Many of the German bombers have got through; have caused some damage; and killed and wounded many of the civilian population. That was inevitable. The German hit-and-run tactics increase in their favour. Germany and Italy, however, are getting their full taste of what blitzkrieg air warfare implies. The British offensive has been spectacularly successful; it is only because the fighter squadrons are nearer home displaying their courage and skill that their feats attract the greater attention. The airmen capable of flying 3,000 miles from a British aerodrome to Milan and Turin and back, find their objectives, the two most vital aircraft factories in Italy, and leave a large part of a mass of blazing wreckage, are doing just as grand a job in the long-range war as the fighters in the task immediately in hand. Moreover, this raid was not an isolated sortie. Germany's great industrial areas get little sleep these nights.

### An Unrehearsed Test Of L.D.V.

Just for a diversion, apparently, German planes one night dropped parachutes, minus parachutists, in different areas of England and Scotland. If the aim was to upset morale and

create panic, it failed signally. Rather did it provide those responsible for Britain's defence with an excellent unrehearsed test of the L.D.V. system. With yet further.

### Somaliand Operations

Away from the main theatre of war, only in Somaliand have important operations occurred. Their importance here derives from the smallness of the British garrison, which finds itself faced by two Italian divisions originally assigned for the capture of Djibouti. No diversion of British troops appears to be contemplated. The crisis point in the Middle East campaign is Egypt and Somaliand will be allowed to fall if the Italians consider its strategic value of sufficient importance to press their advantage in men and materials.

### Italy Worrying At Greece

Italy's moves are not easy to predict. The logical operation, an attempt to drive through Egypt to Suez, shows no sign of developing. Instead, it seems bent on creating a diversion in the Balkans, and compelling Greek compliance with Italian policy or driving Greece into the arms of the Allies. The death of an Albanian brigand has been converted into a casus belli by the Italian press, and a Greek cruiser has been sunk in circumstances tending to suggest that the torpedoes were intended to convey a warning that Italy means business.

### The Balkan Cauldron

Prospects of a flare-up in the Balkans are not lessened by the closer understanding between Turkey and Russia—a rapprochement calculated to stiffen resistance by Yugoslavia and Bulgaria to Axis pressures. Nor is the situation rendered any easier by the one hand and Bulgaria and Hungary on the other calling for territorial adjustments. Russian influence is seen working on the easier passage of Rumanian-Bulgarian discussions. Nothing in the mood of Hungary or Rumania suggests that the Transylvanian problem will find so ready a solution.

### A Washington Suggestion

Out of Washington came the interesting suggestion that fifty or sixty over-age American bombers might be exchanged for the lease of naval and air bases for the United States in islands covering the Atlantic approaches to the Panama Canal. President Roosevelt never hesitated to accept such a public expression of his approval of the proposal. It is significant of his real attitude to the war situation that he chooses the moment to voice his views when excitement is aroused by the air blitzkrieg when public opinion is quick to respond. It is only a very serious intention of attempting a military invasion of the British Isles, and this week's clashes must have diminished further his enthusiasm. American's old doctrine of non-intervention is now obsolete. Defence of Panama is only relatively less important to Britain than to the United States.

### Japan Watches And Waits

Indo-China's highest officials and the Japanese "inspectorate" have been meeting secretly this week; but the Japanese naval threat outside has not been modified. Moves in the game are difficult to follow; the side Herr Hitler is on reverses the impendable factor. Japan, it is clear, is pressing her advantage as far as it can be carried without direct action. Suggesting that Tokyo, too, finds much in the Nazi political technique to encourage making haste slowly in vital decisions.

### Congress Fights Shy

The response of the Congress Party to the Viceroy's offer of participation in the Government, with a guarantee of Dominion status in the war's end, does not indicate that any important progress has been achieved. Mr. Amery, the Secretary of State for India, in his speech on Wednesday, put the case once again, in terms surprisingly liberal coming from a statesman with "Die Hard" reputation. The more reason for India's confidence, whether or not Mr. Gandhi or the Pandit Nehru are able to see things that way. The situation is not, however, entirely without hope. The Viceroy has had important conferences in Bombay with leaders of all sections of opinion, including the Congress Party, and the talks are to go on.

### Japan Asks For Trouble

Britain's decision to withdraw her troops from Shanghai and North China has inspired Japanese reactionaries to a sharper anti-foreign campaign. It calls for the withdrawal of all foreign troops, with special emphasis on the Americans. The decision taken in Shanghai, whereby the U.S. Marine Corps will take over the City region of the British defence sector is calculated to increase the agitation. Mood in some quarters in Japan is towards forcing a showdown with the United States. It may come sooner than is, at the moment, anticipated.

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WAR'S SHADOW

# Went To See Result of Portland Raid--Got Into One BUT ONE SPITFIRE WAS ENOUGH Tour Of Investigation

"OKAY! YOUR ADMIRALS ARE HONEST FOLK, RIGHT ENOUGH!" SAID A CERTAIN WORLD-FAMOUS AMERICAN JOURNALIST TO HIS BRITISH CONFRERE AT THE CONCLUSION OF A TOUR OF PORTLAND NAVAL DOCKS AND YARDS. THEIR TOUR WAS DESCRIBED YESTERDAY IN A BROADCAST TALK BY THE BRITISH JOURNALIST.

They started off, he said, to examine the results of a raid that was over, not to take part in one -- but that is what happened.

They watched British fighters take off from an aerodrome, jumping into the sky like clockwork. Then, suddenly, a Nazi dive-bomber appeared out of some low clouds, about 2,000 feet up.

He got within 200 yards when the journalists saw four bombs drop. They did not wait to see where the bombs landed, for by that time they were lying flat in a friendly and very comfortable ditch.

They were on their feet again in a moment, however, having a feeling that there was an "obituary notice" to be written shortly about that bomber. Only one Spitfire was necessary, and it came down on the Nazi plane like a giant over-taking a feeble bumble-bee. There was a short burst of machine-gun fire, the nose of the Nazi plane went down and it dived-crashed behind the brow of the hill.

## At Portland

Eventually, they reached Portland, where their objective was to see for themselves what damage the Germans had done in a raid five days before, when they sent 120 dive-bombers and fighters over and lost 38.

There were two "official communications" to go by. The British Admiralty communiqué said that some damage was done to buildings and communications, a small oil-tank had been set on fire and some small damage had been done to two of His Majesty's ships.

## What Was True?

The German communiqué said that most of the ships in the harbour had been destroyed; repair shops and petrol tanks damaged; warehouses set on fire; and parts of these had collapsed. Which was true? That was what the journalists had come to try and find out.

The Admiral in charge of the Dockyard said they could go where they liked. The trouble was that in four days everything had been put "shipshape and Bristol-fashion" again. Three things impressed

them:— A small oil-tank was scorched and so was the grass around it. There were some splinters through it and it had been leaking. The holes had been plugged. A railway embankment had sustained a direct hit on its single-track, on which a few trains travel each day. This was almost ready to be used again.

## "Depreciation Rates"

The third was part of an office building for clerks. Thirty men within it had been very lucky. When the bombs dropped they were in the other half, going to shelter, and except for hearing a terrific "bang!" no one was the worse for it. Among the debris was a large, well-preserved file, on which, in block capitals, the journalists read: "Building Depreciation Rates."

A store-house keeper was worried because a few slates had been torn off his roof and he could not find one rubber boot. A few other buildings had been plastered a bit, and that was the lot, except for some holes in the ground which had been filled in and for a patch plate on a motorboat and some damaged paint on a patrol ship. — Reuter.



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## Nothing for France But Ruin, Misery

REPLYING TO Marshal Petain's broadcast, General de Gaulle, leader of the army of all free Frenchmen, in a broadcast from London yesterday said: "The French nation sees that the war is by no means lost."

Noticing that Marshal Petain had raged against the obstacles which he was encountering, General de Gaulle observed: "Though he himself cannot surmount these obstacles, he invited the French nation to swallow them."

## R.A.F. VISIT TO HELDER

Four and heavy explosions followed a raid by Blenheims of the Coastal Command on the docks at Helder, on the Dutch coast. Some of the Blenheims, flying very high, found cloud obscuring the target. They dived through smoke and saw the docks clearly lit up by the moon.

Salvoes of heavy bombs burst on the quayside. Fires could be seen as the Blenheims turned back over the sea. — British Wireless.

## Chartres Attack

R.A.F. bombers, penetrating deep into French territory on Friday night, attacked the enemy occupied aerodrome at Chartres, on the banks of the Eure where bombs struck hangars.

At Eindhoven, Holland, bombs burst among hangars and night flying at an aerodrome near Woensdrecht was stopped by bombs which fell on the landing ground. — British Wireless.

## MILK TO BE RATIONED FOR EXPORTS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

IN ORDER TO INCREASE JAPAN'S EXPORTS OF CONDENSED MILK AND THUS OBTAIN MORE FOREIGN CURRENCY, THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO RATION MILK.

Japan's exports of condensed milk at present are 300,000 casks a year and it is hoped to double this figure from January next. Priority in the distribution of milk in Japan will be given to under-nourished school-children, wounded soldiers and invalids.

Some 800 of a total of 1,500 milk stands in Tokyo are expected to be affected by the ration decree. — Havas.

General de Gaulle added that the material and moral regime imposed on France by the abominable armistice were intolerable. The occupation of two-thirds of her territory and the threat hanging over the other third were sufficient to prevent national life.

The enemy was aggravating the disorganisation by economic pillage, forced labour, artificially raising separation and corrupting the French mind by treacherous newspapers and broadcasts.

## Worth Nothing

The excuses put forward by Marshal Petain for the capitulation were worth nothing.

"If the French armistice was it is because they had been badly prepared for it, and one day I will give some important details about it."

"There is nothing for France but ruin and misery so long as the enemy is on her soil and so long as those who collaborated with the enemy remain in what they call power." — Reuter.

## INDUSTRIAL REGISTRATION ORDER

SIR WILLIAM BEVERIDGE EXPLAINED IN A BROADCAST SPEECH FROM LONDON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE INDUSTRIAL REGISTRATION ORDER ISSUED BY THE MINISTER OF LABOUR LAST WEEK REQUIRING COMPULSORY REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SKILLED WORKERS, MAINLY IN ENGINEERING.

Sir William Beveridge said that the order did not stand alone. It was part of the general plan to ensure that all brains and muscles of the nation were used in the right way so that there was no waste and no injustice.

The order was not directly concerned with using the energies of people now idle or unemployed or ill-equipped or dealt only with men of rare skill.

Indirectly the order was one of the things most needed to allow all men and women, skilled and unskilled, old and young, to swing into line behind the national effort. — British Wireless.

## AND THERE WAS PROBABLY SOME MORE BLASTING

After completion of the R.A.F. attack on a blast furnace near Genoa one observer remarked: "The blast furnace was much more blasted when we left." — British Wireless.

## GENERAL SIMMON'S BROADCAST

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") In a farewell radio broadcast to Shanghai, Major-General Simmons, commanding British troops, thanked the population and recalled that British soldiers had received great kindnesses from Shanghai residents.

"The British soldier travels further and more often than the soldier of any other army. In Shanghai he has felt at home owing to the efforts of everyone. For your support and interest in our work and your hospitality, I express the gratitude of the British forces." — Havas.

## BRITAIN MUST COME FIRST

A PARTY OF AMERICAN JOURNALISTS FLYING AROUND THE PACIFIC IN THE CLIPPER WERE ENTERTAINED AT A STATE DINNER IN AUCKLAND YESTERDAY BY THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Nash, Finance Minister, assured them of New Zealand's desire to extend her trade with the United States, but said that at the present time Britain must come first.

Mr. Roy Howard, the veteran American news chief, said that the United States was now giving Britain her best output and he doubted if any other country could give her such good service as she was now getting from the United States. — Reuter.

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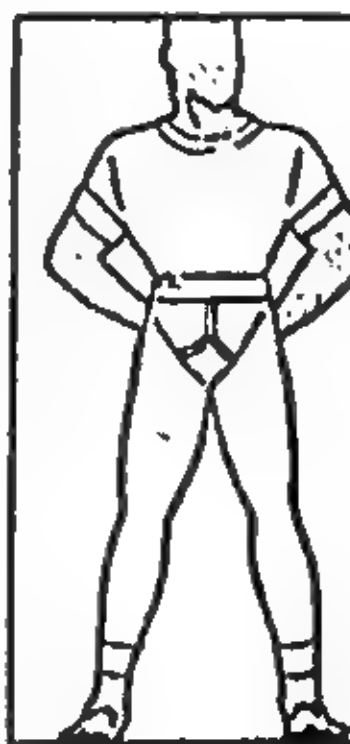
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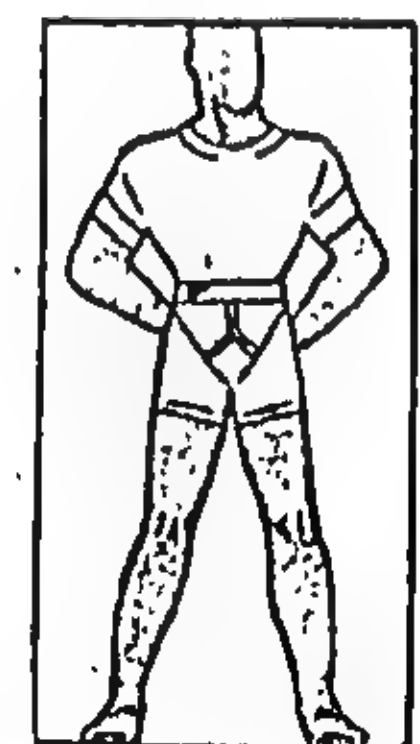
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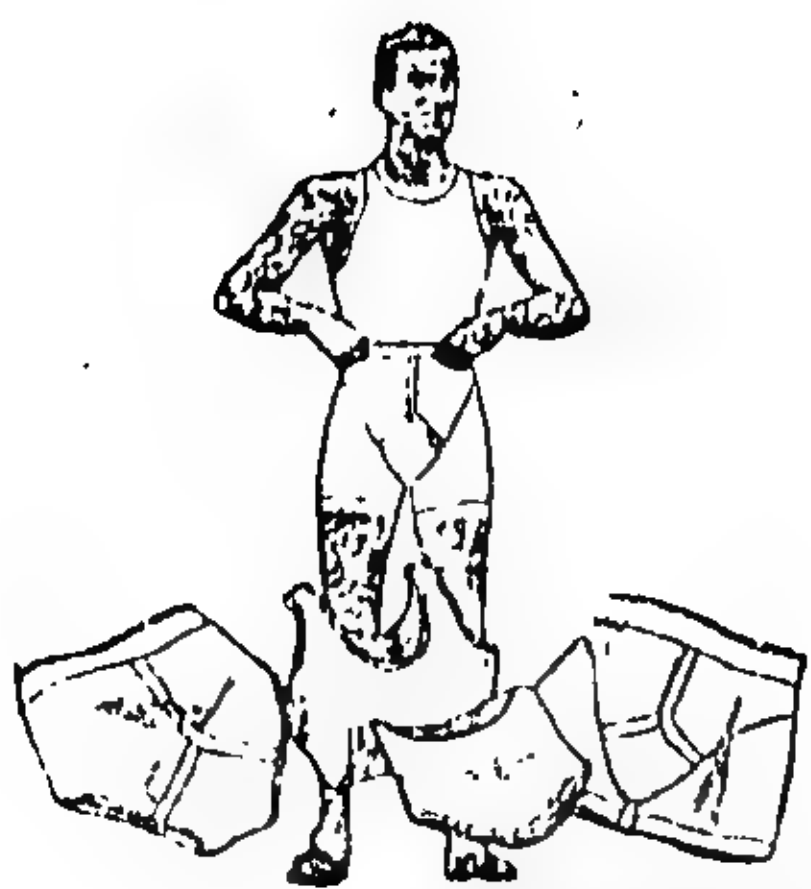
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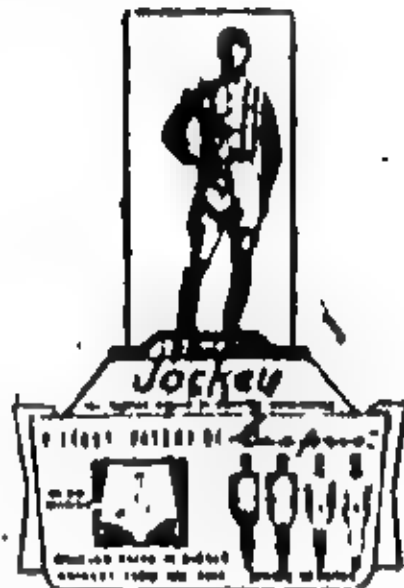


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# The LORD of BENIN

## SHORT STORY

HIS home was the light of Benin, off the West African coast. In its tepid blue waters he basked hour on hour, his sharp triangular fin above the still surface, his broad blue back submerged.

Wandering his thick skin, the torrid sun of the tropics gave him a feeling of such languorous delight that now and again he quivered from snout to tail with the sheer voluptuousness of living, his vast jaws slowly opening and closing. Seven rows of razor-keen teeth in each jaw the Lord of Benin had, and his lidless eyes looked as well as did his mouth. Though the laziest fish in all the sea, he was also the swiftest. Supple as a whip, without a rib in all his length, he could bend till his tail flukes all but touched his blunt snout.

Near to the Lord hovered always his cohort of pilot fish, swift swimmers marked with alternate bands of pale grey and soft violet. Save when they came swimming excitedly about his head he was as heedless of them as a lord of the land of the sea on his estate.

It was dawn upon the windless Benin Sea. The Lord of Benin, who all night had lain motionless a few feet under the sea, slowly rose to the surface. Since the preceding evening no food had passed into his vast jaws. But now, all darting away together, his pilot fish had left him. Waiting their return, he lay tense as an arrow with the bow string back-drawn.

The last star died. Opal passed from the sky. Then, at the moment that the sun leaped from under the sea rim, the pilot fish appeared, speeding toward their Lord. As he glided forward to meet them they turned all together and darted away again.

Effortlessly increasing his speed, he followed, and, in a few moments, aware of that of which they had come to tell him, shot forward and left behind.

Ahead of the speeding Lord the surface of the shimmering sea was churned to foam by the morning play of countless large fish. Swift as an arrow the Lord was among them. Arrow-swift, he dashed through them, and flailing from side to side, the long flukes of his sharp tail left in his wake a trail of stunned fish at the surface. Though at sunrise but two or three gulls had been in sight, gulls at once appeared in hundreds, speeding from every quarter. The air was filled with hungry screaming.

Having passed through the masses of gambolling fish, the Lord turned, and, swimming slowly back along his trail, took into his cavernous jaws victim after victim till he could hold no more. Gorged to repletion, he lay motionless at the surface, paying no more heed to the yet gambolling fish.

The fish passed on. With the last of the Lord's victims devoured, the gulls dispersed and disappeared. Just beneath the warm surface, the Lord basked, his fin above the water.

All night the Lord lay still, just below the surface, awaiting dawn. He rose and swam slowly forward.

Aware of a shape in the sea before him, a shape far greater than the greatest whale that ever he had seen, the Lord of Benin sank far down and circled it slowly. Covered with barnacles it was, and green weeds hung from it. And above it, distinct in the light of the bright Benin stars, was a tall white cloud that was unlike to any cloud that ever the Lord had seen in the Benin sky, where clouds are few.

He swam cautiously towards the dark deep shape and lay still beneath it, still as the shape itself, his instincts telling him that, though he never had seen a thing like that to the shape, there would be food to be had from it.

All night the Lord lay waiting while his pilot fish swam hither and thither, to and fro, and round and round him. D a w n came, and soon after the sun leaped from the still rim of the sea a pilot fish leaped to the Lord from the



"As the sailors hauled him from the water the Lord of Benin came darting up like an arrow from under the ship's keel."

surface thirty feet above him.

He rose swiftly, and following where the pilot fish led, opened in a moment his mouth and took in fragment after fragment of food more lustily than any that ever had passed in his maw.

Knowing then that his instincts had told him truly, he swam leisurely all round the shape whence the delicious morsels had come, his evil eyes upturned, his jaws opening and closing in wolfish anticipation, and, presently, saw, climbing about on the shape, creatures such as he had never seen. Then, quivering throughout his whole little body, he sank low again to bide the time that he knew would come.

On the deck of the white-sailed ship, beneath the keel of which the Lord of Benin lay waiting, the mate called to a little fifteen-year-old first voyage apprentice boy, "Hop aloft there, you, sonny! Hop aloft and overhaul them buntings!"

With the blazing sun of Benin on his back, the little apprentice climbed higher and higher on the ship's tall mast, thinking with longing of his home that stood in a cool cloudy land, tree and flower surrounded with lush meadows about it.

He had not known that the sea would be like this, so hot, so breathless, so dazzling with sun-glare. He'd imagined seas pleasantly ruffled by gentle breezes and a ship sailing merrily, with perhaps whales and strange sea birds about her, and islands to be passed now and then, with palms waving and monkeys and parrots screaming. And all he'd seen in six weeks had been a few petrels fluttering over the ship's wake.

Disillusioned he was, and said, having found on the sea no romance. What would he have to tell when he came home again? Nothing to tell of, save the dull life of a little apprentice boy. And he'd promised to bring home such curios as sailors were said to bring!

They'd laugh at him when he came home again. His white-headed old grandmother would laugh louder than any, just as she'd laughed when he left home to go to sea. "You're a nice lad now, grandson," she'd said, "but you'll come back full of tall tales! All sailors are liars, filled up with romancing, thinking folks'll swallow any tall tale they concoct!"

Well, you'll not fool me, grandson!"

But she'd be hurt, too, did he fail to bring her some curio. He could hear her thin voice saying, "No use to expect a lad to remember an old woman like me! They were the last words she'd said to him when he bade her good-bye, out in the garden where she stood leaning on her walking stick. So, and she was right, she couldn't walk without a stick."

Climbing the mast, the blazing sun making his head ache, he could see her plain, and hear her voice as she pointed with her stick. "There, grandson! Pick me that plum!" And then, "Now pick me that plum!" It's the first ripe plum of the year!"

She hadn't a tooth in her head and her little mouth was withered up like a faded flower ready to fall. So little she was that when she took down inside the Lord's backbone, from end to end, say, the smallest, weakest thing between the stars and the bottom of the sea.

And, because the sun of Benin made his head ache so, the little apprentice pattered for a minute in the shade of a sail. But the mate shouted, "Hop along you, there!" So, with his head feeling as though it would split open, he stepped out to the sun-glare again.

And then there was a scream, followed at once by a splash in the blue water beside the ship. And at once sailors were running and shouting. And as the little apprentice rose, spluttering and gasping, a rope flung by a sailor fell about his shoulders.

"Grab hold of that rope!" yelled the sailor, and hardly knowing what he did he grabbed it. And as he grabbed it a yell rose from every sailor, and the mate's brown face went white. For, right beneath the little apprentice boy, the Lord of Benin was darting up like an arrow from under the ship's keel; his jaws wide open, his seven rows of razor-keen teeth distinct in the limpid water.

As the sailors hauled the little

apprentice from the water the Lord's great jaws came together with a snap, missing his heels by a matter of inches. And as some of the sailors carried him to his bunk one ran to the cook's galley. "The biggest shark as ever I seed, cook! Glime a bit of pork, will ye?" he cried.

With a bit of pork in his hand he ran to the carpenter's shop, where the shark hook was kept. As he dropped the baited hook to the water all the crew gathered at the rail to watch.

And at just the moment when the Lord of Benin's great jaws closed on the bait the little apprentice's old grandmother, toddling about in the garden, muttered to herself, "That lad—I wish he'd bring me a stout walking stick from over the sea! Maybe he'll bring me one of the fine black ebony or one of brown teak-wood!"

Up from the warm blue sea of his domain the sailors hoisted the Lord of Benin, thrashing his tail in useless rage, gnashing his seven rows of teeth on the strong chain to which the hook was attached. In a moment he lay quivering on the deck, his lidless eyes filled with fury and hate, his great jaws opening and closing.

"Bite on that, ye devil!" cried a sailor, and rammed down the Lord's cavernous throat an ash wood captain's bar. And one after another four, then drove the thick, sheath knives into his brain. And the carpenter came from his shop with an axe and cut off his tail.

And then, hour on hour, the Lord lay on the hot deck, his lidless eyes still filled with fury and hate, his great jaws opening and closing for nowhere between the stars and the bottom of the sea there any creature as tenacious of life, as hard to kill, as is a shark. Not till evening did his jaws cease moving. And then the sailors, with their day's work done, gathered round him, and the mate said, "Throw that devil overboard!"

But, looking at the little apprentice whose face was yet pale from the closeness of his escape, a sea-hardened old sailor replied, "Wait a bit, sir, eh? The kid ought to have something to remember the devil by, don't ye think, sir?"

So the old sailor bent above the Lord of Benin and took out his knife and slit the Lord's broad blue back open, and from it cut a six-foot length of ribless backbone. "I'll fix it up nice for ye, sonny, and w'en we gets to port ye can buy me a bottle of beer," he said to the little apprentice.

While the sun sank low and the sky became tinted with amethyst

By Bill Adams

and ruby, with turquoise and sapphire, he sat on the hatch cutting the flesh from the bone.

And when the light had faded and the large stars had wakened, and the lesser were waking, he took a slender straight steel rod and thrust it down inside the Lord's backbone, from end to end, say, "There's as fine dandy a shark's backbone walking stick as ever ye'll see, sonny. W'en yer a captain an' go ashore, ye can go w' it tucked under yer arm. An' don't be forgettin' me bottle of beer, sonny!"

The mate, passing by in the starlight, said again "Throw that devil overboard!" And the sailors stooped and lifted the dead Lord and tumbled him scornfully over the ship's rail to his blue domain.

When the ship came to port the little apprentice boy bought a bottle of beer for the old sailor in payment for the Lord's backbone. And when he came to his home, set among cool meadows and shaded by spreading green trees, he went out to the garden with the walking stick under his arm, and found his grandmother there.

"Here's a curio I brought from the sea for you, granny," said he. "It's a walking stick made from the backbone of a shark that came within an inch of biting me in two and having me for dinner. The sailors said it was the biggest shark they'd ever seen."

"Tall tales! Tall tales!" exclaimed the toothless little woman. "I've never heard a tale as tall as yours! It looks like bone, but backbone it can't be, for it has no ribs and never did have. What did you pay for it and just what is it, anyway?"

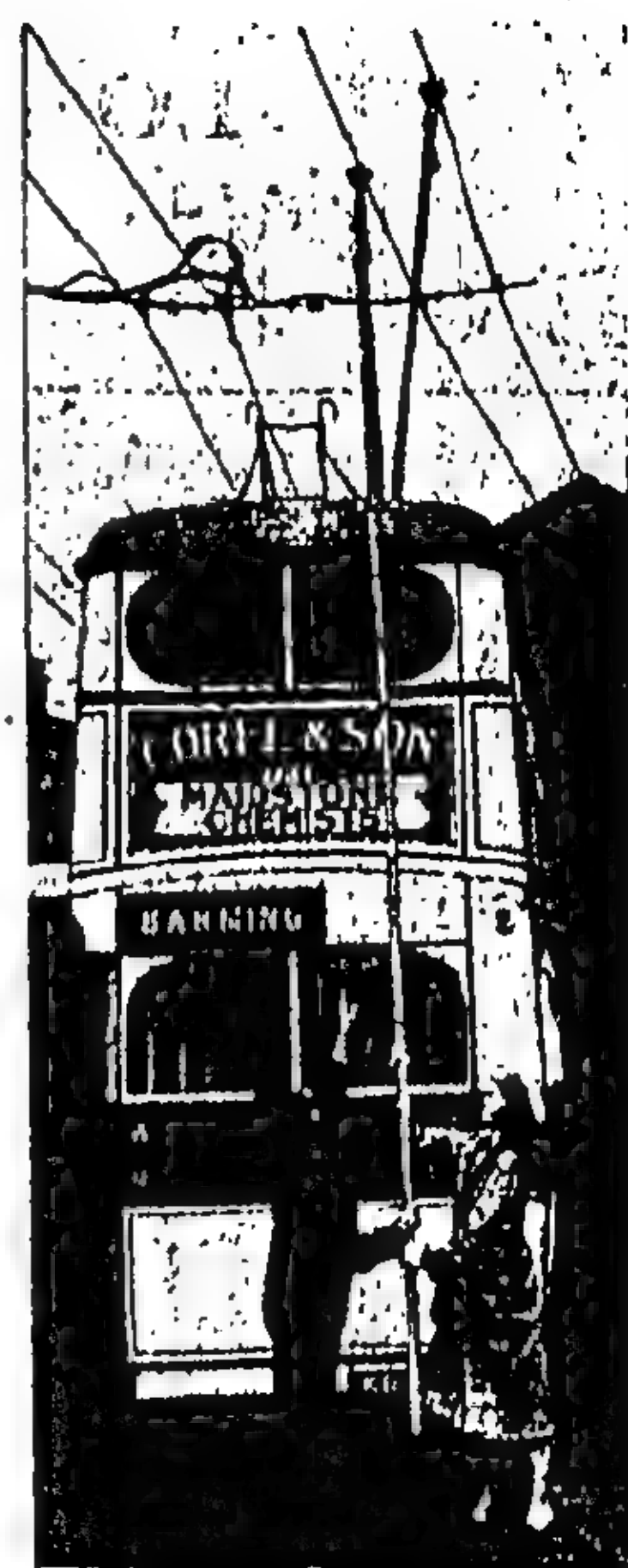
Laughing, the lad replied, "Rubbish it may be, granny, but it's what I say it is. It did pay for it though," he said the old sailor who fixed it up for me a bottle of beer. It was all he wanted."

"A lad who'd spend no more than the cost of a bottle of beer on his grandmother—well, he'd deserve to be eaten by a shark," snapped the old woman, and added, "But I'll take it, anyway, if only to put you to shame when I repeat your tall tale."

And then, pointing with the white walking stick, the frail little old toothless woman said, "Pick me that rose! And there's the first ripe plum!"

And when the apprentice was gone back to his ship for another voyage the old woman dropped the walking stick in a thick flower-bed and left it there, mumbling toothlessly, "The young fibber! But I didn't want to hurt his feelings too much."

And all that was left of the Lord of Benin was his backbone, mutilated in a bed of flowers, and his grisly head with the jaws wide open deep down on the bot-



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# JUBILANT NONSENSE ABOUT LONDON RAID

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London's air defence was apparently considered too strong for the ordinary rank and file, for it was stated that the task was assigned to a special squadron.

Another unconscious tribute was: "Like mosquitoes, British fighters appeared in the air. Hurricanes and Spitfires everywhere."

The German account of what happened was a long list of neurotic, docks, and munition factories destroyed. The accuracy of this account may be judged from the description of it, which said that strong fires and smoke clouds developed on both sides of the Thames Estuary.

On every side pits and craters appeared. Black smoke spread all over London and became thicker and blacker.

Londoners, on the other hand, heard no exploding munitions factories and have not seen any thick clouds of black smoke.

News reporters on the spot when the actions took place and so know better than Berlin what occurred have described something of what they saw.

Fighting At Great Height

Most of the fighting was too high for the planes to be seen, although the noise was easily audible.

At one coast port, five enemy planes came crashing down out of the sky one after another—four on land, one in the sea.

German planes were seen coming down in their hundreds. One landed in a garden, but he was dead.

One light seen from the ground resulted in a Spitfire shooting down a Heinkel and a Messerschmitt within two minutes.

The Spitfire shot the Heinkel down into a wood, where it blew up. It then "somersaulted" and fastened onto the Messerschmitt, firing quick bursts into it. The Messerschmitt crashed down into a field and exploded.

Seventy Nazi dive-bombers came down to 50 feet to machine-gun houses and traffic.—Reuter.

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Telephones (Old) \$21½ b. Telephones (New) \$6.60 b. INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$14½ b. \$14.85 sa. Dairy Farms \$17½ sa. Watsons \$8½ sa.

LAST DAY'S SALES

12 Unions @ \$365 300 Docks (Old) \$1544 250 Providents @ \$3.55 600 Hotels @ \$3.35 100 Lands @ \$31 500 Lights (Old) @ \$6.55 800 Electric (Old) @ \$37 500 Cements @ \$14.85 500 Dairy Farms @ \$17½ 100 Watsons @ \$8½

HEROIN RAID CASE

Bail of \$10,000 was allowed by Mr. G. T. Lowry, at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, when a woman Cheng Ping, and Chan Hung described as unemployed, were charged with unlawful possession of heroin pills, at No. 3, Fung Wong Terrace.

Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit asked for a week's remand which was granted.

It is alleged that over 80,000 pills were found on the premises during a raid on Friday.

## SHANGHAI RELIEVED BY SECTOR DECISION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

FOREIGN RESIDENTS in Shanghai generally approve the decision reached at the joint defence committee meeting settling the new distribution of the defence sectors owing to the departure of the British troops.

Chinese residents in the western part of the Settlement, however, expect the changes will mean for them restrictions similar to those prevailing at present in Hongkew and other northern areas of the Settlement under Japanese military control.

## TOKYO PACT WITH N.E.I. REPORTED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

An agreement on the quantity of raw materials to be shipped to Japan from the Netherlands East Indies has been reached, reports the Tokyo "Asahi."

The N.E.I. will increase shipments of petroleum, rubber and tin to Japan. Negotiations between the two countries now turn on Japanese immigration and the launching of new Japanese enterprises in the Dutch colony.

Economic relations between the N.E.I. and Japan are developing constantly as the European war closes the colony's pre-war markets and sources of supply. Japan's exports to the N.E.I. of cotton and rayon textiles, chemical products and other goods have increased sharply during the past few months.—Havas.

## KOREANS TAKING JAPANESE NAMES

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Popular support is being given in Korea to the decision of the Governor-General by which the names of Korean families will be changed into Japanese "in keeping with the principle of Japanese unity."

The movement has met with tremendous success and already applications for new Japanese names have been filed by 2,005,000 families. This constitutes 63 per cent of all families in Korea.—Havas.

## QUIET DAY IN ICE HOUSE ST.

A quiet morning though not entirely devoid of a small trading and a continuation of enquiries.

Union Ins. \$390 b. China Underwriters 10 cts. s. H.K. Fire Ins. \$136 b. Providents \$3.55 b.

Lands \$31 s. Yumati Ferries \$21.25 b. China Lights (Old) \$6.50/55 sa. Electric (Old) \$36.85 b. Telephones (Old) \$21.75 b. \$22.25 s. Cements \$14.75 b. Watsons \$8.30 sa.

## MONEY RATE UP

Total amount applied for in tenders for 265 million Treasury bills was £110,505,000. Average



Photograph found on German parachute troops taken prisoner in Holland. Photo shows a German parachute troop's machine-gun post in Holland. Air Ministry photo. Crown Copyright Reserved.

## SHELLING FROM FRANCE OFFICIALLY DENIED

It is officially stated in London that there is no truth whatever in the statement made by Rome wireless in the English programme to the Near and Middle East that the British coast has been shelled from the other side of the Channel or at all.—British Wireless.

## FORGERY CHARGE

Ching Kung-yiu, alias Cheung Kung-shui, 29, broker, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry, yesterday, with possession of a forged document in the Surveyor's Office, Harbour Department, on July 17, 1939, and with uttering a forged document.

It was alleged that defendant produced a forged letter of recommendation.

He was remanded for 72 hours. Mr. H. B. de Lotello is appearing for the defendant, while Det. Sub-Inspector J. O'Donovan is in charge of the case.

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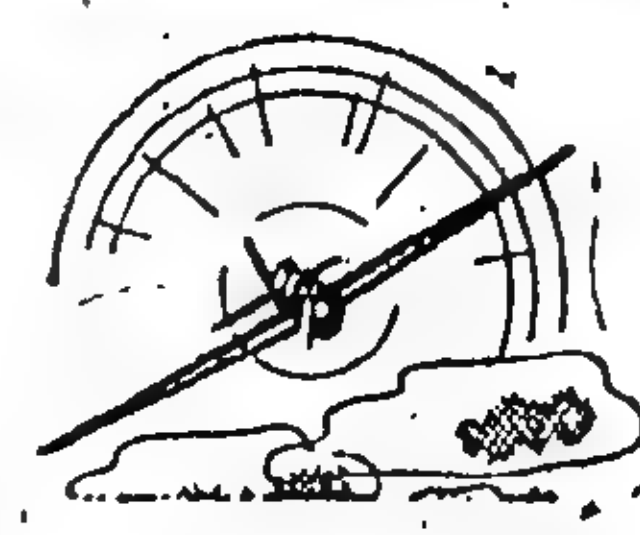
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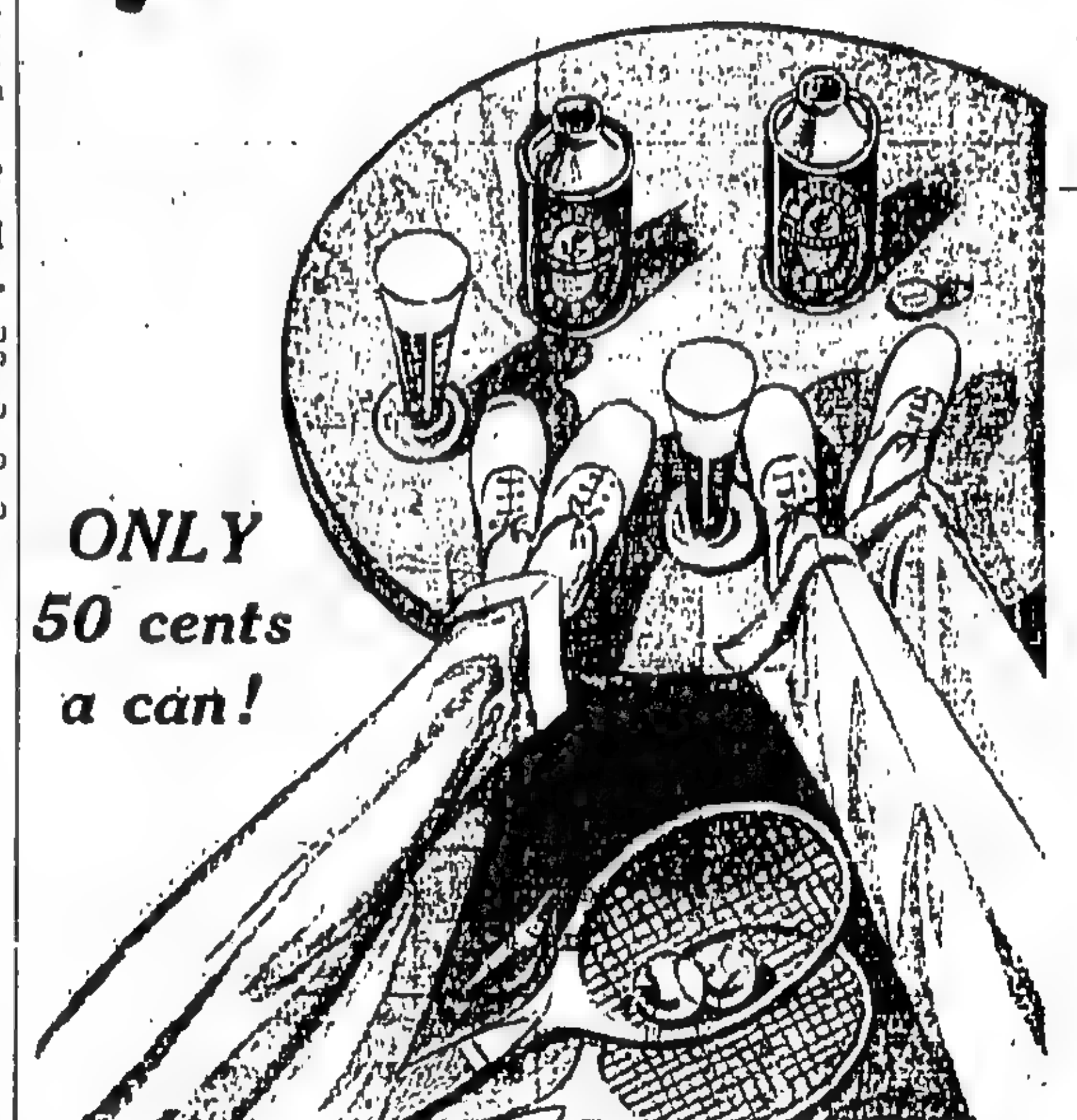
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I pulled the plug and climbed after two Me.109, which were the remnants of six of seven of the DO's which bombed the aerodrome.

When I had climbed to 6,000 ft., the Me.109s attacked. They passed vertically down behind me and I was able to flick roll in behind one of them which dived to the ground.

I followed, pulled plug, but although I was doing well over 400 m.p.h., I could not gain on him. At 8,000 yards he fired at me with what appeared to be cannon. (His bullets were coming straight, with no drop over the whole 800 yards, so they could not have been ordinary m/c bullets.)

At 600 yards I opened fire and fired off all my rounds without a break. About half way through my ammunition, the e/a port engine caught fire and he slipped to the right. I finished the rest of my ammunition. I noticed that the smoke from the Me. port engine grew less and less. I then returned to base. He did not crash.

"It Blew Up In The Air"

Enemy sighted about 1700 hrs. on aerodrome. I saw 6 or 8 formations of three aircraft each. Camouflaged dull brown-black on top, light bluish below. Black crosses wings and fuselage.

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One rear portion of the fuselage from the black cross broke off the front portion and both dropped to the ground, where wreckage continued to burn.

Shortly after this, another JU. 87 got on my tail and in endeavouring to turn too quickly, I stalled my aircraft, lost height and crashed. One JU. 87 had no difficulty in keeping on my tail the whole time but no effects of his fire were felt.

Offensive Patrol

I was "X" Leader of "A" Flight, "Y" Squadron, ordered on offensive patrol. I and my section arrived over the town at 1025 hours at height of 1,000 ft. It was reported on R/T that e/a were flying E.M.E. to starboard and below at about 7,000 ft. at about 200 m.p.h.

I saw 2 e/a and attacked in formation with No. 3 of section. E/a disappeared in cloud before attack could be pushed home. I then saw one HE.111 which I attacked.

By this time the combat had become a general one in which the whole flight had become involved. The HE.111 which I attacked from 250 yards going about 2 to 3 second burst, was hit and went down with much smoke issuing from both motors.

I then saw another HE.111 which I attacked and broke off engagement when flames were coming from port engine. My Number 2 went in to attack this aircraft and was putting it out of action completely.

These two aircraft were attacked from astern and was shot down S.E. of DOUAT by P/O. R. and another Hurricane which took part in the chase.

The other HE.111 was chased but escaped, and P/O. R. landed at "M". He took off 1915 and landed "K" 1847 hrs.

P/O. C. saw one Me. 109 which he had attacked dive into the ground. He saw a formation of JU. 88's which he and some other aircraft followed.

At top speed he took about ten minutes to overhaul the e/a, and the JU. 88 which he attacked fell in flames to the ground. He fired on another JU. 88 but did not observe effect. P/O. C. returned to "K" and landed 1900 hrs.

A Mixed Fight

A mixed fight took place, and two Me. 109's were seen to be shot down. All my ammunition was expended. The three aircraft landed and refuelled, and rejoined the rest of the squadron, which had already landed.

Two HE.111's, were seen and one aircraft, P/O. R. took off and pursued them. One e/a was attacked from astern and was shot down S.E. of DOUAT by P/O. R. and another Hurricane which took part in the chase.

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Down To Earth

The Germans helped me down. Five Messerschmidts attacked me. I got a burst through my engine. The petrol was sucked out, exhausted anyway, so it didn't much affect the position. I came down and made a crash landing safely. I got out of the aircraft and some French troops ran up.

"Hallo boys!" I said, but they weren't listening. A couple of these stuck guns into me and marched me off for interrogation. We argued back and forth, and finally they decided, I was not bogus and let me go.

I walked for a few miles and then got a ride on an R.A.F. aeroplane and got to an R.A.F. aerodrome where I got a sent in a bomber.

Just as we were pushing off, the Besche came over. They made a low bombing attack and blew the tail of my aeroplane, so we got out and blew it up to prevent its falling into enemy hands.

We piled into another bomber, which was pretty crowded. I had to sit on someone's lap.

We landed at another aerodrome and there they gave me an R.A.F. jersey and got me walking towards it, over came Jerry again—machine-gunning this time.

I lunged myself on the ground and they machine-gunned the Hurricane and wrote it off. The bullet hole was in the tail, so how they missed me I don't know. I got a ride on another ferry and came home.

One Fuel-Tank; No Bullets

Report of a pilot who had the job of flying an aircraft from France to Britain:

I wanted to call at a French town near the coast to pick up Jerry and I had left there on the way out.

On approaching I saw that the town was in flames and two DO.215's were dive-bombing on the town.

I climbed and attacked one of these machines and got in two bursts at 300 yards, pointing my machine in the general direction of the aircraft.

The enemy aircraft dived into cloud, I followed and gave the enemy some more bursts in the cloud.

I came out and circled for 10 minutes and saw another 216 between cloud and attacked again. My engine began to overheat badly and some Me. 109's attacked me from behind.

I dived into cloud and eventually landed at an aerodrome. I found that the machine had punctures in the starboard tank and the petrol was spraying out.

The aerodrome crews wished to burn my machine rather than take the risk of starting it again, owing to the petrol spraying out of the starboard tank.

I stuck a bayonet several times into the starboard tank to empty it and managed to persuade two airmen to fill my port tank.

I had to leave without being re-armed, with only 30 rounds in each of seven guns.

Coming Down Under Fire

I ran into seven Messerschmidts while the rest of my section were beating up some more elsewhere. I attacked from the front and one went down.

Then I found myself being shot to pieces and my aeroplane was on fire. I baled out at 10,000 feet and was delighted to find that my parachute opened.

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Colin, who knew that his younger colleague was not too experienced with his gun, told him to run for help.

Colin saw three German airmen climbing out on to the wings. Uncertain whether the men were German or British, Colin yelled to the military post: "Then he and a corporal, rifles at the ready waded into the water as the three airmen who had inflated a rubber boat, drifted ashore, their hands raised in surrender."

He was told that the fourth member of the crew had jumped by parachute. Just before the plane crashed.

Colin, although he did not know whether there were bombs aboard, volunteered to wade out to the plane to look for the other German.

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12.35 p.m.—Mendelssohn—"A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Overture. State Opera Orchestra.

12.48 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Chorus.

Crown of Life (Turner-Farrar); Mystic Woods (Turner-Farrar); It Was A Lover and His Lins (Shakespeare & Morley).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Elgar—Enigma Variations, Op. 36. The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press: Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Welsh Songs.

The Clwyd (Crown); Praise of Wales (Geiriondd & Wylly); William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp accompaniment.

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Golden Dreams (Krone); Blue Moon (Armandola)... Columbia Master Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay — The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 p.m.—Compositions of Schubert.

Impromptu in E Flat Major, Op. 90, No. 2; Andan. 2 in A... Eileen Joyce (Piano).

Aufenthal; Der Doppelgänger... Alexander Kipnis (Bass) with Piano.

Symphony No. 8 in B Minor (The "Unfinished" Symphony)... Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

Hark! Hark! The Lark... Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

8.45 p.m.—Studio—The strength of a weekly series of Book Reviews.

8.55 p.m.—Interlude: Minuet and Trio (from Fantasia Sonata in C Major, Op. 78)... Arthur Rubinstein (Piano).

9.00 p.m.—London Relay — The News.

9.30 p.m.—Studio—Talk on "So-malland" by Col. H. B. Holt, O.B.E., M.C.

9.45 p.m.—Rachmaninoff—Suite No. 2 for Two Pianos, Op. 17. Vronsky and Babin.

10.05 p.m.—Short programme of Handel's music.

Overture in D Minor (arr. Elgar)... London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

Concerto Nos. 7 and 13 for Organ and Orchestra... London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates and Herbert Dawson (Organ).

10.15 a.m.—Studio — Sunday Evening Epilogue. Conducted by E. B. Priest of the Roman Catholic Church.

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## "SUNDAY HERALD" CARTOON.

By STAN HILL.



## A Letter from England

Parts of the Army of France invaded England recently transported by the Dunkirk flotilla. They flowed into the South Coast towns, men so much like our own in many ways, and yet unlike them: their khaki uniforms tinged with a shade of green, their tin helmets of a different shape, their boots high to the knee. Many were limping and tired eyes; all had a ready smile. They sat in the sunshine on the broad white steps of Wightport's famous City Hall. They muntered through the streets, gazing at shop windows, catching an eye sometimes in the admiring female crowd. Theatres, menus and dance halls were freely opened to them. Cigarettes and chocolates seemed to rain on them from the sky.

Adam, the gardener, went to Wightport to see a brother just back from that same Dunkirk flotilla, but the French soldiers seemed to get most of his attention.

"I knew the Frenchies in the last war," said Adam, "so 'bora fewer' I says to the chaps and their says 'bora fewer' to me. They likes meeting a chap that can talk to them."

Then, in an hour as it seemed, the soldiers of France were gone.

Wightport is well defended. Balloons hover over it. On each side of the river bridge that lead to the town are overlapping barriers of concrete bricks, with troops on guard behind them. Trenches are dug by the roads. Cars and motor buses

By Kathleen Conyngham Greene, O.B.E.

are stopped for inspection. A large, hot soldier got into the bus.

"I expect his gun's loaded dear," murmured a timorous voice behind me.

"Never mind, Auntie. He won't let it off at us."

All passengers had to show their identity cards, and Auntie, just at the last moment, she explained, had left hers at home on the dresser.

"You must let me go on! I'm registered at the Wightport stores for my bacon and I'll have nothing to eat if I don't go in and get it."

Her ration cards let her through, with a caution.

Mr. Jones had his card, but he had not signed it. This meant a sterner caution. Herr Himmler, dropped from the skies, might kill Mr. Jones and put on his clothes, complete with the card in the pocket. But if suspicion fell upon Himmler he would not be able, at a moment's notice, to sign Mr. Jones's name.

At the corner of Castle Square in the Castle Cafe, where people from the surrounding counties used to meet for luncheon after the dentist, or before the matinee, or during a day's shopping, in front of this "select rendezvous," as its proprietor calls it, is a shrewd lot of sandbags and a posse of efficient looking soldiers. No Quilting or Fifth Columnists would stand much chance in Wightport! (How many people, I wonder, will remember in days to come that it was General Franco who said he had four columns marching on the eastern city, and a fifth column working inside it?)

The Allies... The Union Jack and Tricolour flew together over Wightport City Hall. Once a week the allied National Anthems are played to us on the wireless. I know one slight anecdote,

long-retired soldier who heaves himself out of his chair to stand at attention all through their playing. When we hear those tunes some of us think of Denmark too—betrayed, and in prison.

But this war does not need flags and tunes. These last weeks, when British people have been weakened at night to the crash of bombs, when we watch the faces of our friends before asking news of their men, when we know what such men have seen, these weeks have drawn us still closer to those who have suffered the worst blows.

The feeling of all, after the Belgian King's surrender, was sympathy for his country. "A brave people—they'll get it all back again!" Enemy bombers, we learn, swooped low in concentrated fury, to smash the Menin Gate. Bombers cannot smash memory and friendship, nor the union of free nations fighting together for the things of the spirit against the dark powers of the world.

"God has given us other Allies," said the parson in a village church, "the calm at sea and in the air when the troops were crossing from Dunkirk. This glorious summer weather to lift up our hearts at home."

We have a land worth fighting for. Never has the country looked more beautiful. The fields are

thick with buttercups. There are tufts of bog cotton blowing on moor and marsh. The bog myrtle... Smells are surer than sounds or sights to make your heart strings crack—

If I could send that smell to you in a letter, what would it bring back? Scotland... the New Forest... the hills of Wales? There is a place reached on the long drive across Ireland where the wind brings the scent of bog myrtle, and the holiday seems to begin.

It isn't our British nature to talk about "in Patrie." But deep down in all of us, so deep sometimes that we hardly know it, is there till the call comes, is the unflinching resolve to defend it. And not our country alone.

"John and I used to fish in Norway in the old days," said Mrs. John. John's destroyer went up a Norwegian fjord into battle, and John did not come back. I've got out our old Norwegian dictionaries and follow the broadcasts in Norwegian. It makes me feel somehow, that I'm keeping in touch with the people.

"I say my prayers in French now," said a little girl, rather consequential and important. "It's because of all the little French children what's been driven out of their houses by the Nazis, and haven't got no beds or anything. I'm sure God will let it count for them too."

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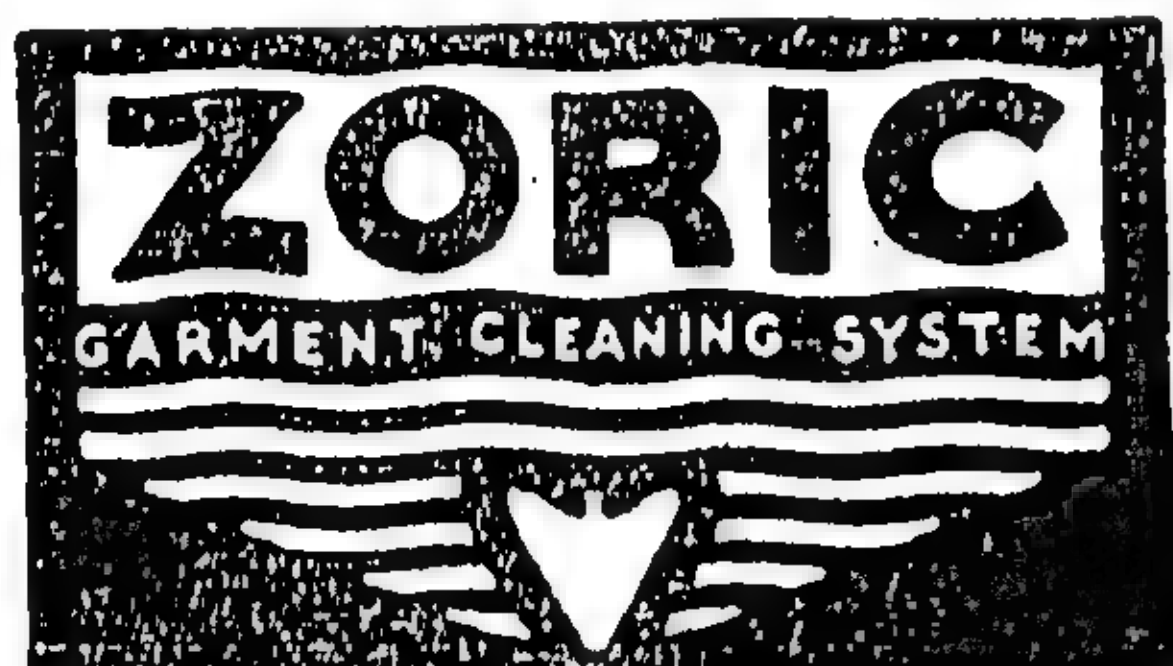
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# The Perfect Woman IS SHE A LADY?

As a sign of their then modern outlook some of the old-time etiquette books used to devote chapters to such frivolities as Getting Ready for the Dance and How to Keep the Gentlemen Interested. While these guides to correct behaviour made no bones about the fact that beauty in a woman counted more than brain, they also conveyed that the virtues were the thing and beauty aids not the thing.

The ageless principle of feminine adornment might be at the root of their instructions, but this was cunningly disguised and nobody thought of analysing the motives. In short, you could prepare for the dissipation of your first ball by lying in a darkened room and sipping warm milk, but you might not include in your machinations any dabbings with eye-shadow, rouge or powder.

Excitement would add blushes to your cheeks, you were told. Or, if you were the type who went pale with anticipation, a little face shopping was advised or, greatly daring, a touch of beetroot juice.

At that time rouge in any form was (most appropriately) the mark of the Scarlet Woman. Those complaisant of old-fashioned beauty habits would have been shocked at some recently published be-

haviour rules for Air Hostesses by a well-known air-line.

"You must have a ladylike appearance," the first injunction ran, and almost in the same sentence a moderate use of lipstick was recommended.

In point of fact the suggestions in this particular set of rules were sensible enough to have emanated from a woman. For few men seem able to consider the make-up question calmly. Indeed many of our masculine critics appear to deceive themselves over what they like or think they like in women. Such men don't recognise the moderate use of rouge when they see it. (They're not meant to, anyway.)

And they usually have very fixed ideas about voices and other women. If we could look inside their minds and catch a glimpse of their preconceived idea of the perfect wife we should see, in all probability, a woman who always wears blue, who has long hair and no politics and who is willing to renounce lipstick the moment she says "I will."

Yet the sad truth is that these men don't seem to appreciate her when they get her. At any cocktail party they may be seen making bee-line for her absolute opposite.

Like the eminent judge and the distinguished marquise they know

## ASKS IRENE STILES

not the meaning of moderation when they pause to consider the foibles of the feminine sex. "Lipstick," said Mr. Justice Bennett recently, "is used to disguise women's faces."

And "Every woman who values her appearance," announced the Marquis of Lothian, "alters her eyebrows, the shape of her lips, colour of her face and the arrangement of her hair at least twice a year."

"Every woman who values her appearance," mark you! They might both just as well say that "The woman who is admitted by her mother to be a playmate of a small section of American society, is representative of the whole of the female sex."

It's all very difficult. But it is plain that only the most understanding husbands, who understand the rules of our behaviour or decide the fate of our faces.

This tendency to fly to extremes always seems to have been a characteristic of masculine judgments on women. The Victorian, for instance, is quoted as saying that men liked women to be timid; whereas another complained that women were not taught to be courageous.

At one period we have Dean Swift advising that a woman's friends should consist of men rather than women. "A knot of ladies got together by themselves," he assures us, "is a very school of impertinence and destruction."

But a feminine mentor of a later period holds his advice up to ridicule. Listen to her words of warning to a young bride: "Settle inside the danger to her reputation, surely a woman who despised her own sex, and would converse with none but men, would be more ridiculous than a man who should pass his whole time among women. Like the monkey in the fable, she would stand a chance of being rejected and disowned by both species."

You may find advantages in the conversation of many ladies, if not equal to those which men are qualified to give, yet equal at least to what you, as a female, are capable of receiving."

There was, of course, some truth in both dicta. A girl whose life lacked masculine influence is lost indeed when she eventually takes her place in a world of men and women.

A Father's Interest

A father who displays a practical interest in his daughter's education always has been and still is an incalculable asset. And a girl who grows up with brothers as well as sisters, starts out with advantages a brotherless girl has not.

Not all masculine criticism is blighted or ill-founded, and often it is invaluable. Some of the world's most cultured women, not excluding Queen Victoria, owed and owe a great deal to the influence and encouragement of their mentors: fathers, uncles, brothers and later their husbands.

In her entertaining and enlightening book, "The English Miss To-day and Yesterday," Miss Alicia Percival stresses the importance of this often overlooked point, the value of the right kind of masculine influence on a girl's education. And she reminds us, since family life of the Victorian era was more leisurely than it can be today, daughters of intelligent fathers had advantages which later generations have missed.

Women lacked freedom however, and had to contend with many disadvantages. When colleges were first being thrown open to girls it was not considered ladylike to attend lectures with men students.

To-day our conception of the word lady-like has changed. The modern lady, saying, "Young So-and-so has atrocious manners," or "Old Mrs. X is too wrapped up in misery to pass the salt." But somehow we stop short at any so snobbish sounding a pronouncement as "She's not a lady!"

Indeed, "What a nice woman!" is one of our greatest compliments. The term is more friendly and less ostentatious and implies the very qualities which

our grandmothers used to associate with "ladies."

Nevertheless, though education and environment play their parts in shaping each generation's idea of what is the perfect woman, certain feminine qualities remain eternally lovable and desirable. Any wise man or woman can tell us what these qualities are. Elinor Glyn, who has made a life-long study of such things, believes that women have improved enormously during the past 30 years; that they have shed some of their least lovable qualities.

We have learned, perhaps that the right kind of good manners spring from an innate consideration for other people, from kindness of heart and the simple desire to put strangers, as well as our friends, at ease.

And yet much of what men (themselves who know their own mind) like or dislike in women and you will find that most of it may be summed up in good manners. Under this heading—consideration for others, an ability to talk as well as listen, sympathy, tolerance and a friendly determination not to monopolise the limelight, all find expression. Good manners may even be said to embrace a talent for laughter and at least a little respect for the conventions.

Few men like their womenfolk to appear conspicuous. To be looked at and admired is one thing; to be stared at is quite a different matter. This fact may also account for the average man's dislike for vermillion, nail polish and loud voices. Pretty hands and a voice "ever soft, gentle and low," will always rank high amongst the less obvious feminine charms.

But mercifully for us men's notions of perfection may be even our imperfections may be found lovable.

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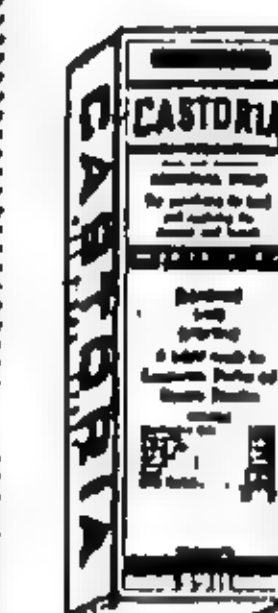
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## DIVING

## LEARNING TO SWIM

By Guy Larcom, Jr.

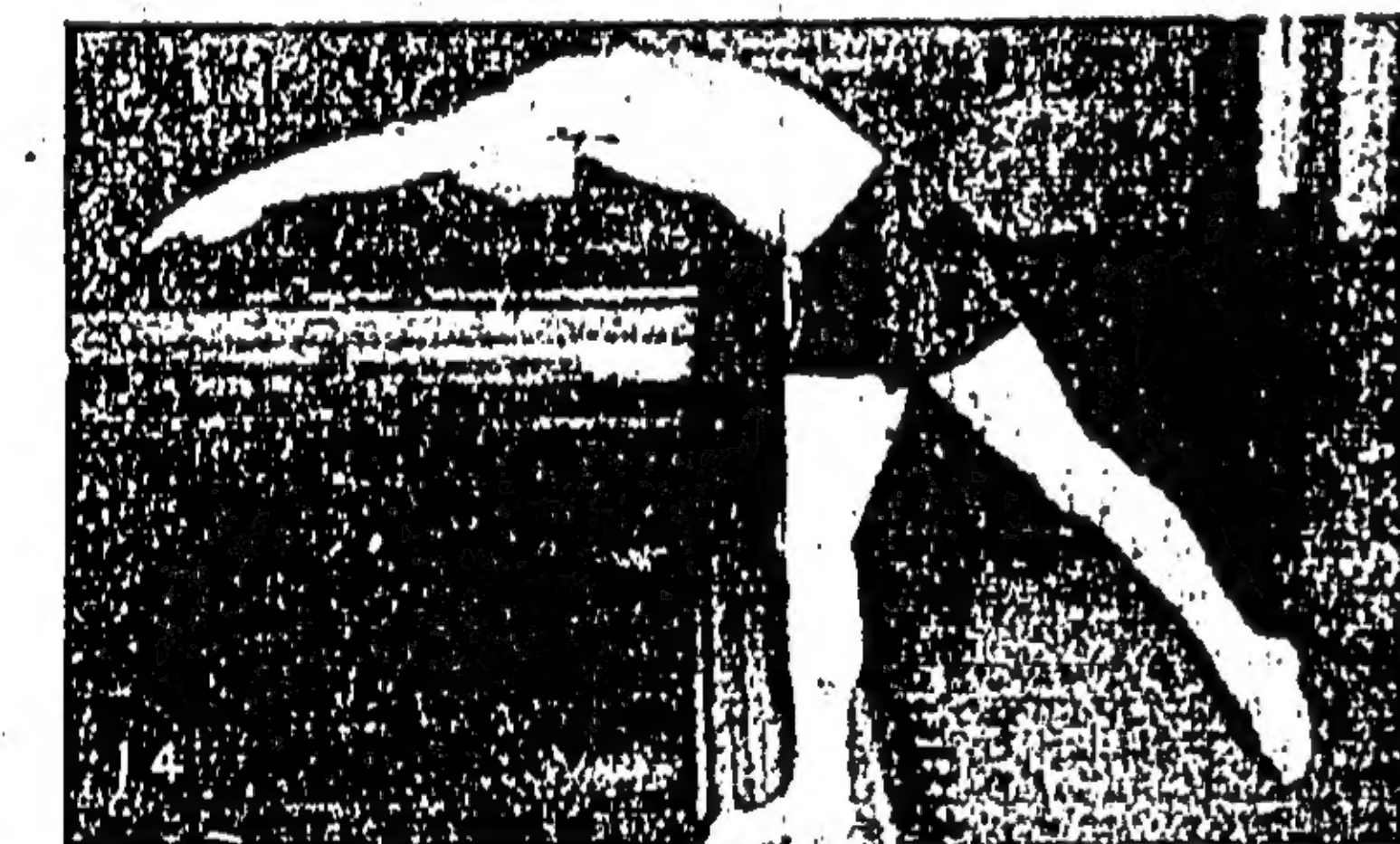
Co-Author With Harold S. Ulen of "The Complete Swimmer"

(This is the fifth of a series of 12 articles which appeared in the "Christian Science Monitor.")

ALTHOUGH the water can present a hard surface to a falling body, mastery of a few simple fundamentals enables man to enter from varying heights with no difficulty whatsoever.

Most swimmers learn how to take a front header or dive if only because it enables them to get under way so easily.

They can watch where they are going. They have the advantage of momentum accumulated even before they begin striking. They have the fun of hurtling through the air and even if they lack the gift and inclination for the more advanced acrobatic dives.



Diving experience began with the first experiment of ducking the head under water. It increased with the attempt to reach down in the water to the ankles in the so-called jelly fish floating. In the surface dive, the next logical step, the swimmer from a horizontal position in the water jumps at the hips, ducking the head and extending the arms toward the bottom. The legs are then flipped up over the spot where the head descended, body straightened and with a few strong arm pulls, the swimmer is under water.



Now stepping on the low side of a pool or float, the diver jumps in feet first, arms close at the side or stretched overhead. To prevent the water from being forced up the nose, he can exhale at entry.

Having carefully investigated the depth of the water and its freedom from obstructions, he or she—women often make more attractive if not more graceful divers than men—can try a standing front header by the simple experiment of duplicating the motions of the surface dive. The task is to make the body follow through the hole made in the water by the outstretched arms.

This is easily solved by proper control of the head. If the head is lifted, the diver can rely on it that his body will follow the head outward—not downward as it should—to land flatly. If the head is wedged between the arms (Figure 14) and held there so that just before entering the water the diver would be looking at his feet (Figure 15), the entry would involve no shock whatsoever. The more vertical the entry position, the better the dive. By lifting one leg to the rear, the swimmer is able to learn how to get proper elevation of the legs so that they

## CHARITY BASEBALL TO-DAY

The first of the International Baseball games for the Mamak Shield will be played this morning at 10.30 a.m., weather permitting, when Portugal meet Great Britain.

Portugal will start favourites in that they have a number of seasoned players, though few of them have played in League games this season.

If Rev. Lima turns out for Portugal their chances will be further enhanced. In a recent friendly game Rev. Lima showed that he is a ball-player of considerable experience. Pereira and Alvares will form the Portuguese battery with Figureado and Mendonca as catchers.

Great Britain are uncertain of their line-up, being greatly handicapped by the lack of a first-string pitcher. D. Leonard or D. Cray will be on the mound with Fox catching. The rest of the team is composed mostly of service men who have only recently taken to the game.

The following players have been invited to turn up and the final selections will be made on the field.

Portugal—Pereira, Alvares, Mendonca, Figureado, Boltrao, Z. Gosano, Rev. Lima, T. Alves, A. V. Gosano, E. Gosano, B. Gosano, and H. Campos. Great Britain—D. Leonard, N. Leonard, T. Leonard, Welford, Denyer, Ings, Cray, Shaw, Foley, Gillespie, Jorge and Izant.

## NEEDLE MATCH IN SEPT.?

Rain, which forced last week's needle match League game between H.B. and Mindanao, to be abandoned after no score had been registered after the sixth inning, again caused the play-off for the title to be postponed.

Last week the game was called in the last of the seventh with H.B. at bat and no runs on the board.

It now appears likely that the match will take place on Saturday, September 14, as all the H.B. players will be on Volunteer duty for the next two weekends.

In the opening game of the season Mindanao beat H.B. after a sensational last-inning rally when, in the last inning, after being led 6 to 3, they scored four runs to win 7 to 6.

Mindanao were surprised in their next game when they went down unexpectedly to Hong Kong Baseball Club by 2 to 1. In this game D. Smith established a record by striking 13 batters, but this record was later bettered by Powlowski against Engineers.

Seven Wins in Row

Mindanao then won seven games in a row, blanking South China and Royal Engineers twice.

Their run of successes was broken when they again met H.B. and lost by 11 to 3 after being badly out-hit.

H.B. lost their first game to Mindanao, through two costly errors in the last inning, and met with another defeat in that memorable game against Chung Hwa when they were beaten by 5 runs to 4. A protest was disallowed.

That was on June 18, and since then they have won all their games comfortably, blanking Chung Hwa to win by 10 runs.

In their important return game against Mindanao they were in great hitting form and registered 11 hits off Powlowski to win by 11 to 3.

In the deciding game last week Mindanao gave a surprisingly good display and held their own in every department against H.B., with the result that odds in favour of H.B. winning the title dropped from 3 to 1 to even money.

Complete Records

Following are the records of both teams this season:

MINDANAO  
Beat H.B. 7-4  
Lost to Club 2-8  
Beat South China 12-0  
Beat Engineers 12-0  
Beat Chung Hwa 6-5  
Beat Engineers 15-0  
Beat Club 8-2  
Beat South China 14-0  
Lost to H.B. 3-11

Lost to Mindanao 6-7  
Beat Club 7-1  
Beat Engineers 14-1  
Lost to Chung Hwa 4-2  
Beat South China 14-1  
Beat Club 13-1  
Beat Engineers 25-4  
Beat Chung Hwa 7-0  
Beat Mindanao 11-3  
Beat South China 23-1

FOOTBALL SNIPPETS

The appointment of P. S. S. Overy as manager of the Army team this season will be well received in military football circles. With a manager appointed so early in the season there is every reason to believe that the Army team will be available at all times for representative and charity games.

King's College Club are sharing the Hong Kong Football Club ground this season for all their home games, while Eastern have come to an arrangement with South China for their home games to be played at Caroline Hill.



Miss Vivienne Churn, Colony lady swimming champion, will be severely tested on Saturday next when she will meet the leading Chinese lady swimmers in the Open 100 Yards free-style event at the quadrangular swimming contest at European Y.M.C.A.

## TWO WINS FOR NG

Keen and exciting swimming was witnessed at North Point yesterday evening, when South China Athletic Association lost to Hong Kong University by 31 points to 17.

The best performance was returned by Ng Tsun-man (University), who clocked 27.4/5 secs. for the 50 Metres free-style. He also won the 100 Metres free-style.

Following are the results:—

50 Metres free-style—1, Ng Tsun-man (University); 2, Au Kwok-kei (University); 3, Au Leung-wah (South China). Time: 27.4/5 secs.

100 Metres free-style—1, Ng Tsun-man (University); 2, Au Kwok-kei (University); 3, Au Leung-wah (South China). Time: 58.3/5 secs.

200 Metres breast-stroke—1, Ho Pui-kun (South China); 2, Hui Kwan-hun (University); 3, Yung Yut-wah (University). Time: 3 mins. 14.3/5 secs.

200 Metres Four Men Relay—1, University (Au Kwok-kei, Wong Yui-hun, Lau Yui-shue and Ng Tsun-man); 2, South China (Ho Pui-kun, Hui Kwan-hun, Lee Pak-hei and Lau Wah). Time: 13.5/5 secs.

100 Metres breast-stroke—1, Ng Tsun-man (University); 2, Lee Pak-hei (South China); 3, Lee Pak-hei (South China). Time: 1 min. 51/5 secs.

100 Metres back-stroke—1, Wong Yui-shue (University); 2, Yung Yut-wah (University); 3, E. A. Gulerres (University). Time: 1 min. 3 secs.

100 Metres breast-stroke—1, Ho Pui-kun (South China); 2, Hui Kwan-hun (University); 3, Yung Yut-wah (University). Time: 1 min. 27 secs.

100 Metres breast-stroke—1, South China (Hui Kwan-hun, back-stroke); 2, Lee Kwai-sun, breast-stroke; 3, Yung Yut-wah, free-style; 4, University (Wong Yui-shue, back-stroke); 5, Yung Yut-wah, breast-stroke; 6, Ng Tsun-man, free-style. Time: 1 min. 40 secs.

## WARNING TO WESTERN POWERS

A warning to Britain, the United States, Germany and Italy concerning Japanese intentions in connection with French Indo-China was given by General Hsu Pei-king in a special article published in yesterday morning's official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

General Hsu was former head of the Chinese air force and Chinese military spokesman at Hankow, and is now chief staff officer to General Ho Ying-ching, the War Minister.

Commenting on the strategic importance of French Indo-China, General Hsu declares that to the north Indo-China controls the southern routes of China to the east it offers a base for operations against the Philippines, to the south-east and south it controls the South Seas, Siam and the Malay Peninsula, and to the west, Indo-China encircles Siam.

Teaching Allies English

In view of the importance attached to the use of a common language in securing full co-operation between the British forces and the Allied soldiers of many nationalities now in Britain, the Army Council has instituted a scheme for instruction in English and other cognate subjects. The British Council has been appointed to supervise this scheme and have placed their worldwide experience and resources at the disposal of the Army Council—British Wireless.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Jenn Borotra, known affectionately to Wimbledon crowds as "The bounding Basque," has been appointed General Commissioner for Physical Education by the Polish Government.

## CHINESE PING PONG LEAGUE

There are eight teams enrolled in the Colony Chinese Ping Pong League, which is due to start next Sunday at Confucius Hall, Hollywood Road.

The teams, Mei Shing, Hung Shing "A", Hung Shing "B", Wah Sing, Chu Luen, Hop Kuen, Lai Tsun and Kit Chee, will play in two tournaments, the Singles Championship and the Doubles Championship, and the League is expected to be completed in little over a month's time.

It is unwise to forecast the champions at this juncture, but, according to reports, Mei Shing, Hung Shing "A" and Wah Sing are the favoured teams.

Mei Shing have obtained the services of Lo Kwai-sang, former Macao singles champion who has earned a brilliant reputation in the past few years, and Leung Chuek-fai, the hard-hitting Colony player who has an unbeaten record to date.

Wah Sing will be supported by Lui Cheuk-cheung, current Colony doubles champion and fourth ranking player in the Colony as far as singles is concerned, and Leung Kwong-wah, present Macao singles champion.

With Lee Chun-hang, present Colony singles champion, in their line-up, Hung Shing "A" are also in a good chance in the singles section.

## MORE SEX APPEAL!

While Hollywood executives are still pondering the probable box-office reaction to war conditions, small-town exhibitors in the United States are beginning to agitate for films with more sex appeal.

Relaxation of old-fashioned censorship rules, these exhibitors maintain, is the only possible antidote to the present box-office slump.

Receipts in United States cinemas have been falling steadily on account of the competition of other forms of entertainment.

Beaten By "Jitterbugs"

Jitterbug contests, exhibitors complain, now outgross million dollar Hollywood productions. Even the competition of a small travelling circus has become a calamity for the small picture theatre. And the reason, they insist, is that film fans want pictures with more pep.

One exhibitor has recalled in a letter to Variety, the U.S.A. film and music-hall paper that just before the repeal of Prohibition Carl Laemmle declared, "Saloons will wreck the movie business!" His prediction, says the exhibitor, is proving correct. The youths of America are now finding that for 50 cents they get more kick in a beer parlour than in a movie theatre.

"If the film business expects to survive," he states, "it must get some sex back on the screen. Something must be done so that once again the screen can contain those little touches which our great directors can do so well without offending anyone's least broad-minded."

In Crinolines

"The censorship is so bad now that if you want to show a chorus girl on the screen you must dress her up in crinoline and old lace or put her in a Dutch Boy costume."

"How is my theatre going to exist when in the box office right across the street, they can have a look at a strip-teaser by buying a couple of classes of beer?"

RUMANIA TO STUDY AXIS POLICY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Two expert committees have been formed in Rumania to study political and economic institutions in Italy and Germany. The committees will visit Italy to make recommendations for the application of the totalitarian system to Rumania, taking into account Rumania's peculiarities. — Havas.

ROOSEVELT MEETS MACKENZIE KING

President Roosevelt dined last night with Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, at a small border town 50 miles from New York State, where the President is watching U.S. army manoeuvres. — Reuter.

SUN FO LEAVES

Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Council, returned to Chungking by air on Friday evening. Mr. Sun Fo arrived here some two weeks ago to settle some personal affairs.

## The First Freedom

UNTIL a few years ago, when the dictators came to power, we had taken for granted that liberty was an unchanging and unchallengeable part of a civilized life. Very few people remembered how hardly it had been won, or realised how easily it might be lost. A little more reflection on this subject is, I think, desirable in these times.

There are many liberties: the liberty of the subject from arbitrary arrest, the liberty of the citizen to do what work he chooses in the way he thinks best, his liberty to live where he likes and move about as he chooses and so forth; but the foundation liberty of all is the liberty of speech and writing.

The tyrant who can silence his subjects has them at his mercy. He can stifle their complaints, prevent them from communicating with each other, organising resistance. A Parliament which met in secret and could prohibit reports of its proceedings might equally be a tyranny; law courts from which reporters are excluded become Star-Chambers.

It is easy to recite a catalogue of our liberties, but in order to understand what they mean and what the winning of them has cost, we must go back to history and especially English history. Let me take the foundation liberty of speech and writing and consider it from this point of view.

How England Won Her Heritage

In days when the multitudes could neither read nor write Governments troubled themselves little about restraining the freedom of writing.

It was not until after the invention of printing that the Civil Authorities began to take serious notice, and even then there was a long period when they considered writings in the Latin language which was almost universal among those who wrote, to be comparatively harmless.

Thus Sir Thomas More's Utopia, which would certainly be banned in half Europe as dangerously subversive if published to-day, circulated freely in its Latin version in the sixteenth century. Similarly the writings of Erasmus and an immense body of literature satirising, often in a savage way, the behaviour of priests, monks and courtiers.

But the question arose in its modern form when writers began writing in their own language and the first translations of the Scriptures into the vulgar began to appear. Both the Civil and the Ecclesiastical Powers now began to scent danger in the much wider circulation of ideas not under the control of authority which now threatened.

From this point there began a long struggle largely fought out in England between authority and freedom. The greatest English protagonist of freedom was John Milton, who took all risks during and after the Civil Wars down to the days of Charles II in testifying for the cause of free writing. His great pamphlet, Areopagitica, pleading for the "free encounter of truth and error" in an uncensored press lays down a general

principle which has still to be established in a large part of the world to-day.

Many lesser men contributed in the same century, such as the Puritan William Prynne who stood in the pillory and had his ears cropped not once but a second time rather than submit to the censors who sought to suppress his pamphlets.

After the Revolution of 1688 the liberty of writing, subject to a few restrictions, such as a ban on the open advocacy of atheism, seemed to be fairly established. But in the following century it needed an incessant struggle to keep what had been won.

Press And Parliament

In its conflict with John Wilkes the Executive endeavoured to recover its control over free speech and writing by arbitrary action outside the law, but relied heavily on the open advocacy of atheism, seemed to be fairly established. But in the following century it needed an incessant struggle to keep what had been won.

That was stubbornly resisted by

By J. A. Spender

an immense majority in the House of Commons. Again and again they passed resolutions denouncing "the strange and lawless method of publishing reports in the papers," and summoned printers and publishers to the bar of the House. They even went to the length of committing two of their own members, Cusby and Oliver, who had supported Wilkes on this issue, to the Tower of London, an act followed by a burst of indignation before which they silently gave way.

"Posterity," said Burke, referring to a debate in the year 1771 in which the upholders of this liberty had stood their ground against the angry majority, "will bless the pertinacity of that day." Undoubtedly he was right. An Assembly which sheltered itself from public opinion by making it penal offence to report a word of its proceedings or even to mention the name of those who spoke in its debates or voted in its divisions threatened to become a secret junta of the ruling families, imposing its will on the rest of the country. The right of reporting its proceedings was the first necessary step to making Parliament a representative governing institution, and it was only won after a long and stubborn conflict.

All these liberties were in danger in the panic which followed the French Revolution, when the Government fell back on harsh and repressive exceptional legislation. But once more the essential liberties were saved by a few staunch champions of popular rights, and the victory of the Reformers in 1832 established them on a firm foundation for future generations.

By this time the English had learnt the lesson that, as Burke said, "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." Nor have they unlearned it, as we may see from the

jealous scrutiny which Parliament exercises over any exceptional legislation which the Government requires in war-time.

A Great Cause

This history is the common possession of all the British peoples whether in the British Isles or overseas. In this way have the foundations of all their liberties been laid, and upon all alike comes the call and falls the responsibility of guarding what they have won. Seeing the dangers that have beset their own liberty in the past and the ease with which it is extinguished in countries which have never known its value, they cannot take it for granted as something which will look after itself.

It is now threatened by a foreign tyranny which, if it had the chance, would demolish in a night what has been gained by centuries of struggle and sacrifice. In order to keep it we may be called upon for sacrifices as great as those which were bravely made by its champions in past times.

## VICAR FORGOT THE WAR

The church bell that in times of peace calls people to prayer spurred Local Defence Volunteers in a Leicestershire village to activity.

At the first peal—it is now a signal that the enemy parachute troops are about—workers in farms, gardens, and shops raced for their rifles and then waited for the attack.

Time passed and nothing happened, so a warden went to see the vicar, who apologetically explained that it was all "just force of habit." He had tolled the bell for many years for morning service, and had forgotten for a moment that there was a war on.

What the warden said is not recorded. The village laughed and went back to work.

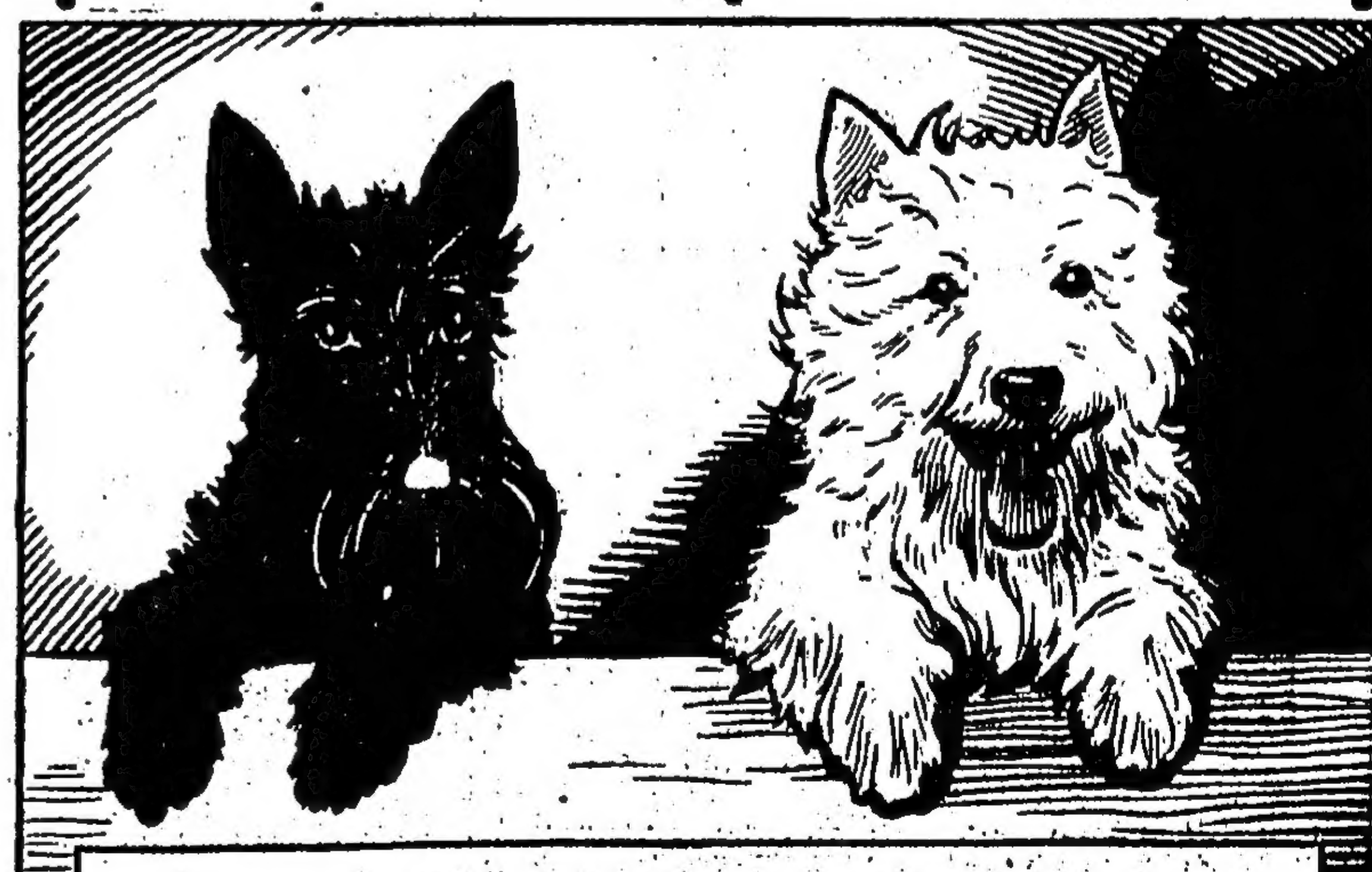
FOREIGNERS TO BE EXPELLED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The Swiss Federal Council decided yesterday to expel from the country several foreigners guilty of communist activities. If expulsion cannot be carried out owing to political difficulties the guilty persons will be detained in a concentration camp. — Havas.

SUICIDE WAVE

A suicide epidemic has prevailed since the beginning of the month. The majority of those who chose the method of throwing themselves from windows and verandahs.

According to the reports, 11 such suicides have occurred during the last 16 days.



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# BREAKING THE ICE

## Mr. Wendell Willkie's Challenge For The Presidency Prepared To Lend Aid To Britain

MR. WENDELL WILLKIE, IN HIS SPEECH ACCEPTING NOMINATION AS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY, DECLARED AT EDWOOD (INDIANA) YESTERDAY: "WE MUST HONESTLY FACE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GREAT BRITAIN."

"We must admit that the loss of the British fleet would greatly weaken our defence. If the British fleet were lost or captured, the Atlantic might be dominated by Germany, controlling in that event most of the ships and ship-building facilities of Europe."

"This would be a calamity for us. We might be exposed to attack on the Atlantic. Our defence would be weakened until we could build a navy and air force strong enough to defend both coasts."

"Also our foreign trade would be profoundly affected. That trade is vital to our prosperity but if we had to trade with a Europe dominated by the present German trade policies we might have to change our methods to some totalitarian form."

"It is a prospect any lover of Democracy must view with consternation."

#### Promises Of Aid

"The President of the United States recently said 'We will extend to the opponents of force the material resources of this nation. At the same time we will harness and use those resources in order that we ourselves in the Americas may have equipment and training equal to our task in any emergency and for every defence.'"

"I should like to state I am in agreement with those two principles as I understand them and I don't understand them as implying military involvement in the present hostilities. I am glad to pledge my whole-hearted support to the President in whatever action he may take in accordance with these principles."

"I trust I have made it plain that in the defence of America and our liberties I should not hesitate to stand for war."

"But I believe it is the first duty of the President to try and maintain peace."

"President Roosevelt has not done this. He has courted a war which our country is hopelessly unprepared and emphatically does not want."

#### Secret Meddling

"He has secretly meddled in the affairs of Europe. He has even unscrupulously encouraged other countries to hope for more help than we are able to give."

"After accusing President Roosevelt of not confiding in the United States people while being quick to tell other nations what to do, Mr. Willkie continued: 'As President I plan to reverse both these policies. I should threaten foreign governments only when our country is threatened by them and when I was ready to act.'"

"The fault with France herself. The French people were just as brave and intelligent as the Germans, yet the Germans crushed France like an eggshell."

"The fault with France herself. She believed in the form of Democracy and the idea of freedom but failed to put them to use."

"In this tragedy let us find a lesson."

#### No Sugar Coating

"Towards the end of his speech Mr. Willkie said that when Mr. Churchill became Prime Minister he made no 'sugar coated promises' and added:

"Mr. Churchill said: 'I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat.'"

"Those are harsh words, brave words, yet if England lives it will be because her people were told the truth and accepted it."

"Discussing foreign policy Mr. Willkie said: 'The first task of our country in international affairs is to become strong at home.'"

"If that is not done promptly"

#### DEATH

Sister Vincent of the French Convent School, Causeway Bay, on 17th August, 1940, aged 81 years. A High Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Convent Chapel at 8.30 a.m. to-day, August 18. The funeral will leave the Convent at 5.15 p.m. and will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. C. Chung Lun and family tender heartfelt thanks to relatives and friends for words of condolence, floral tributes, and attendance at the funeral of the late Mr. Charles Chung Lun.

#### Our Way

Declaring that the United States way of life was in competition with Hitler's and that history had shown that the United States way was the stronger, Mr. Willkie said: 'I promise that by returning to those same American principles that overcame German autocracy once before, both in business and war, to out-distance Hitler in any contest he chooses in 1940 or afterwards, and I promise that when we beat him we shall beat him on our own terms and in our own American way.'"

Regarding domestic policy, Mr. Willkie said he stood for the regulation of free enterprise, maintenance of a minimum wage standard and maximum hour standards, Federal regulation of utility companies engaged in inter-State business, securities, markets and banking."

He also stood for Federal pensions, adequate old age benefits, unemployment allowance and the encouragement of co-operative buying and selling."

#### Against Monopolies

He was opposed to business monopolies and promised that the Republican Party would revise taxes in accordance with people's ability to pay without inflicting on the poor the present "disgraceful" portionate load of hidden taxes."

Mr. Willkie declared the New Deal had failed as a programme of economic rehabilitation and asserted the present course of the Democratic Party would "lead us like France to the end of the road to economic disintegration and dictatorship."—Reuter.

## U.S. NOT READY TO BACK DOWN TO JAPAN

THERE IS SOME SURPRISE IN WASHINGTON AT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S APPARENT INTENTION NOT TO ABIDE BY THE DECISION OF THE SHANGHAI DEFENCE COMMITTEE REGARDING THE PATROLLING OF THE BRITISH DEFENCE SECTOR AFTER THE DEPARTURE OF BRITISH TROOPS.

There was no indication in Washington yesterday that the United States intends to back down to Japanese demands that both the British sectors should be turned over to them.

Washington appears to be awaiting the next Japanese move which, if taken, would appear to be not against the international body, which is everyone's and none's child, but, directly against the United States, as represented by the Marines.

The feeling still persists in Washington that Japan is in no shape to undertake big adventures in addition to the China campaign, certainly not while a British defeat is far from certain.

One newspaper points out: "Despite the quantities of officially inspired verbal thunder, Japan has taken only one small step to her threatened sweep into south-east Asia."

The writer draws the conclusion: "Japan is not a free agent. She has a slight engagement with the Chinese."—Reuter.

## Bread Panic In Harbin

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The "Manchuria Daily News" reported in Harbin yesterday that the local authorities are carrying out an investigation into the bread shortage due to a strange panic among the population.

Many Harbin residents recently purchased huge quantities of bread, turned it into biscuits and kept them in store.

The paper refers to one case when a single family purchased 25 one-lb. loaves in a single day. Meanwhile the Russian emigrants bureau is drafting a plan to provide daily necessities for local Russians by means of a card system covering flour, kerosene, sugar, matches and other goods. —Havas.

## FALMOUTH TO SELL RELICS

IN RESPONSE TO THE APPEAL FOR SCRAP IRON FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL RECENTLY DECIDED TO SELL THE TOWN'S HISTORIC NAVAL RELICS.

These include guns from H.M.S. Bellerophon, the ship on which Napoleon was taken from France as a prisoner after Waterloo.

Yesterday the Ministry of Supply advised the Council not to sell the relics.—Reuter.

## BOMBS STRIKE MISSION HOSPITAL

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Seven bombs landed in the Canadian Mission hospital compound at Tzschuaitang during the bombing of that town by the Japanese on August 12. It was reported in Chungking yesterday: No serious damage was done and there was only one casualty. —Havas.

## BULGARIA GETS INVITATION

The Bulgarian Cabinet yesterday accepted an invitation for a meeting with Rumania to discuss the question of the southern Dobruja.

The discussions will begin at Craiova to-morrow (Monday). —Reuter.

## STOP PRESS

The Air Ministry announce that Hudson aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked and damaged a German anti-aircraft ship in Stavanger Fjord, Norway, yesterday morning.—Reuter.

The Admiralty announced in London yesterday afternoon that certain areas in the English Channel and the Bay of Biscay are a danger to shipping.

Ships entering or leaving ports in the English Channel should apply to the Senior Naval Officer in a British port or, if in a foreign port, to the British Consul, for the route to be taken. Ships failing to do this proceed at their own risk.—Reuter.

## LONDON STATION AFTER RAID

The station hit in the first German air raid on London was not much damaged, according to an observer who travelled there by train yesterday.

Trains are running strictly on time the only difference from normal being a slowing down about a quarter of a mile before the station.

From the train one can see one or two wrecked shops, and broken windows over an area of 100 yards.

Damage in the station itself is difficult to see, even at the booking-office where there were several casualties.

The German news agency says that the station literally can't be found, which amused season-ticket holders taking the same train from the same platform yesterday morning.

The Germans also say London is dead, the sky is red with fires at night and the docks are wrecked. None of this can be seen in London.—Reuter.

## NO DECISION ANNOUNCED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

IT IS STILL YET OFFICIALLY NOT KNOWN WHERE THE BRITISH TROOPS, BEING WITHDRAWN FROM SHANGHAI, AND OTHER NORTH CHINA TOWNS, WILL BE TRANSFERRED.

A military spokesman stated yesterday that the military authorities will shortly issue a statement concerning the subject.

It was learned that the statement has already been prepared, but that official approval is being awaited for its release.

President Roosevelt revealed in Washington yesterday that it was at the request of the British Government that the United States sent three military observers to London to watch the Battle of Britain. The observers arrived on Friday.—Reuter.

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